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LEAGUE PROBLEM MAY BE ADJOURNED.

A CRITICAL DAY.

Geneva, March 16.

At the conclusion of the conference of representatives of the British Dominions, M. Briand saw Sir Austen Chamberlain and then told pressmen that there were no misunderstandings between France, Britain and Germany but that a serious element existed making a solution difficult of realization.

M. Briand is going to Paris tomorrow to present a ministerial statement to Parliament. Some persons who were near him thought he hinted at the possibility of the postponement of the whole affair.

Mr. J. S. Smit, who has gone to London on urgent business, has confirmed the South African representation to the Canadian High Commissioner. —Reuter.

PRESSURE ON BRAZIL.

After a three-hour meeting, the delegates of Latin-American States, after hearing a full statement of the case from M. Franco, decided pressingly to request the latter to find a means of restoring the unanimity of the Council in connection with the composition of the Council in the interests of the moral peace of Europe. In view of the unanimity of the Latin-American delegates it is confidently expected that Brazil will now yield. Her Delegate, interviewed by Reuter, pointed out that the difficulty was practically settled. —Reuter.

THE DAY REVIEWED.

Rugby, March 16.

Although hopes were maintained that the situation would clarify itself within the next 24 hours, yesterday at Geneva was not free from anxieties.

Sir Austen Chamberlain and M. Briand and the German delegates have been in close touch and the anxieties that will remain do not arise out of any difference of opinion existing between these statesmen, who are in complete agreement on the course to be adopted.

The delegates of South American States united to-day in urging Brazil to abandon her intention of vetoing Germany's election unless she also is granted a permanent Council seat, and although it is generally expected that this and other appeals of the same kind will have the result desired, no definite information to this effect has so far been received.

Sir Austen Chamberlain, who has kept in constant touch with the Dominion representatives on the Assembly, again held his usual daily conference with them this morning.

It has been provisionally arranged that the League Assembly and Council will meet to-morrow. —British Wireless.

ANOTHER "MISINTERPRETATION."

Paris, March 16.

Somewhat belatedly, M. Briand's alleged statement regarding a Colonial mandate for Germany is now declared to be inaccurately reported and misinterpreted. It is explained that M. Briand merely indicated that, in becoming a member of the League, Germany would automatically enjoy the right to which all the members of it claimed to be entitled; namely, to receive a Colonial mandate if and when the occasion arose. —Reuter.

A previous message stated that M. Briand, in the course of addressing French journalists, revealed that the allies recently promised that Germany would be eventually allocated a Colonial mandate.

ADJOURNMENT TALK.

Geneva, later.
When the Council concluded, Sir Austen Chamberlain hurried off to (Continued on Page 18).

BANDIT OUTRAGES IN KWANGTUNG.

BIG VILLAGE SACKED AND BURNED.

HUNDREDS KIDNAPPED.

Bandit activity is again reported from various districts in Kwangtung, the cause being, according to some quarters, inadequate military protection, while from other sources it is stated that the bandits have had their numbers increased by those thrown out of agricultural employment by the ravages of war.

From districts on the western border, Lo Ting and Wat Nam, telegrams have been sent by the magistrates to the Canton Government for military assistance against the bandits, who are threatening to attack the two cities. From the Sze Yung region, where junks suspended operations before the Chinese New Year, urgent demands are made upon the Government to clear out the bandits infesting the delta, as the price of foodstuffs has risen to a very high level. Reports from the Hok Shan district state that banditry has been so prevalent of late that the inhabitants have been stripped clean of everything, and the brigands now resort to wholesale kidnapping, even demanding one dollar per catty by weight, as the price of ransom for captives.

The chief of the Local Guards of the 14 allied villages in Shun Tak, has gone to Canton to report a pitiful tale of the complete sacking and burning of the big village of Hoi Mee, the kidnapping of over two hundred persons, and the rendering of over 800 people homeless by a large band of brigands, numbering several hundred, who came in large junks towed by six armed launches and completely surrounded the village, giving the villagers no time to signal for assistance from adjacent villages.

EXPORTING MONEY.

TUNG ON WHARF ARRESTS.

A Chinese woman was fined \$50 by Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Central Magistracy this morning, when she and her daughter were summoned for attempting to export \$438 to Macao.

From the evidence, it appeared that the girl, on whom the money was found in stitched pockets on an undergarment, told a Chinese woman searcher that she was going to Macao. She afterwards said she was not going but went along to the Tung On Wharf to see her mother off.

The mother said her husband was a painter at Macao, and left the money with her to pay his foks.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

SANITARY BOARD SUMMONS.

Included in the list of Sanitary Board prosecutions, which were heard before Major Wilson at the Central Police Court this morning, was one in which the manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., 16 Des Voeux Road, Central, was summoned for failing to maintain water closets and urinals in a thoroughly efficient and cleanly condition, in that part of the Hongkong Hotel, Pedder Street, which is at present under reconstruction.

Mr. R. A. Wadson appeared for the defence, and the case was adjourned for a week.

NEW CRUISERS.

LAUNCHINGS YESTERDAY.

Rugby, March 16.
Two new cruisers were launched to-day, H. M. S. Kent, at Chatham; and H. M. S. Cumberland, at Barrow. Both are of 10,000 tons and will carry eight-inch guns in conformity with the Washington Naval Agreement. They will have a speed of thirty-five knots, they are, of course, part of the Admiralty's programme of replacement. —British Wireless.

BANK LOAN CASE.

AN "EXTRAORDINARY BUSINESS."

MANAGER "FORCED."

"Tell witness I don't think he is doing justice to himself. I am not a business man, but I know something of the ways of business men, and it seems to me to be an extraordinary way of doing business. Tell witness that, talking frankly, it seems to me incredible."

So said the Chief Justice at this morning's hearing of the Bank Loan case, in which Messrs. Moxon and Taylor are suing the Man Chuen Bank for the recovery of a loan of \$37,600. His Lordship was commenting on certain evidence given by Mr. Tsang Chun-son, Manager of the defendant Bank, and their witness-in-chief.

Under cross-examination by Mr. Eldon Potter, witness had submitted that in order to meet an urgent need of the Bank, he sold the 200 Wharf shares at a sacrifice, in spite of the fact that, as shown in evidence he had just given, Lammett's had offered to give him the money without recourse to this measure.

Taking up the examination at the point where he left it last, Mr. Eldon Potter had asked the witness if he still maintained that the transaction which now formed the subject of the action was a sale and not a loan, and got the reply from witness that it was "a sale and a purchase" with a difference of 4 1/2 points to his disadvantage at the same moment and on the same day. He adhered to this view whatever opinion other persons might have of the transaction.

Mr. Potter:—This is very clear. This is your first transaction?—Yes.

At a later stage in the examination, witness said that Lammett's had promised to give him the money but he did not make a decision then, because the terms thereof were not disclosed. There was no mention of a loan, and he regarded what passed on June 5th as a promise by Lammett's to "give" him the money. When the urgency for the money had passed away, on the morning of the following day, he still permitted the negotiations for the sale of the shares to take their course, because he "could not think of upsetting an arrangement which had already been made and because I thought that even then the money, although it was not urgently needed then, could be usefully and with more profit, be employed on other lines of business."

Regarding the letter which he signed on behalf of the Man Chuen Bank, and in which there was an admission of liability by the Bank to Lammett's for the amount of the loan plus accrued interest, (the whole totalling \$39,090), witness created somewhat of a sensation by declaring that he was forced to sign the letter, while being left at the same time in ignorance of the contents. This having been explained to him as being an admission of a loan, he now denied it.

Mr. Potter. (cross-examining):—You were forced to do it?

Witness:—They drafted out the letter and said, "You must append your signature to it." Witness added that this was subsequent to a discussion on the cross-debt owed by Lammett's to his Bank, in which he was given to understand that the signing of the letter was an essential preliminary before this other question could be arranged.

His Lordship:—Why did you sign the letter when it was an admission of a loan?

Witness:—They never explained to me it was a loan.

Witness also said, in reply to (Continued on Page 7.)

CRITICISM OF STRAITS GOVERNMENT.

CASE OF "BURFAUCRATIC STUPIDITY."

OUTSPOKEN COMMENT.

Referring to recent criticisms, the Singapore correspondent of the Telegraph says that the Government there is having rather a bad time just now. There are complaints of the lack of a strong and confident personality at the head of affairs, and this is regarded as being unfortunate in a country where the civil servants work efficiently enough, as a general rule.

There have been, says our correspondent, a number of instances when prompt action was needed to overcome departmental torpidity, but it has not been forthcoming. For example, this country is on the list of the British Medical Association.

POWERS' ULTIMATUM.

Armed Force As Last Resort.

London, March 16.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald asked for an explanation of the reports and representations the Protocol Powers had made to China which might involve military operations within two days.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin replied that His Majesty's representative in Peking had been instructed to take no action except in co-operation with other Treaty Powers, and also that armed force should only be used in the last resort to safeguard the security of foreigners in the areas affected. Sir Ronald Macleay had communicated these instructions to the British naval authorities on the spot. —Reuter.

sociation, with the result that the greatest difficulty is experienced in getting competent health officers. Then, despite many public protests, the Government will not change their policy of appointing a Malayan Civil Servant as Director of Education instead of a professional educationalist, and consequently the affairs of a complicated and very expensive department are administered by a gentleman whose intimate knowledge of educational problems has been gained in the Land Office or the rural retreats in which the Forest Service pursues its mysterious ways. Only a few days ago a most beautiful example of bureaucratic stupidity was presented to the public in the shape of a circular threatening pupils of Government schools with dismissal if they joined sports organizations other than those attached to their own schools, so that the Y.M.C.A. and the activities of the various churches and associations are tabooed.

Public opinion both in the F.M.S. and the Colony is solidly against the Federal changes proposed by Sir Laurence Guillemard, and if those proposals are forced upon the country, especially the abolition of the executive head of the Federation and the devolution of such powers to the Malay Sultans, would enable them to hinder seriously the industrial progress of the country, it will be done in the face of unanimous protests from the great agricultural and mining interests of the Federation, and the uncompromising condemnation of the whole Malayan press. Fortunately those proposals were put forward in so vague a form that it will be possible to prevent officialdom from "losing face" by keeping the semblance of them and sacrificing their substance, but the feeling of restlessness and insecurity which the controversy has

SHANGHAI RIOT.

SUN ANNIVERSARY CAUSE OF TROUBLE.

POLICE ATTACKED.

The anniversary of the death of Dr. Sun Yat-sen was very nearly responsible for bloodshed in the Yangtszepoo district at Shanghai when several hundred patriotic mill workers engaged in fist combat with several hundred others of their more mercenary colleagues necessitating the presence of a squad of police from the Yangtszepoo Police Station who, perhaps, when the whole situation is weighed in the balance, came off worse in the end than the willing combatants whom they had come to protect.

Shortly after 7 o'clock in the morning the first word was received at the Station that trouble was brewing at the Ewo Cotton Mill at the corner of Thorburn and Jansen Roads and to there the police proceeded prepared for the worst.

Sub-inspector Walker, who led the squad found upon inquiries that the trouble was a dispute among the mill workers, half of them wanting to take the day off in honour of the deceased and notorious Chinese leader and the other half wanting to continue work as usual.

Matters threatened to become serious and reinforcements were sent for. A Chinese detective was sent in the police car to bring back some additional men and in order to do so, the car had to pass a crowd of workmen who were engaged in hot argument, beside a large pile of road metal, belonging to the Public Works Department.

The sight of the police car was the signal for an attack from the mill-men who immediately began hurling large pieces of sharp edged road-metal at the car and its occupants, cutting great holes in the hood of the car, denting the sides of the body and in addition, striking both the detective and the driver of the car on the head, cutting them rather severely.

Seeing the state of affairs the officer in charge gave an order for the Station Warning Flag to be brought. The Warning Flag is a white flag in use at all police stations now. It carries an inscription in large black letters to the effect that when it is hoisted down firing will commence.

The flag was brought and displayed to the full gaze of the militant mill-workers. Then it was hoisted down—with satisfactory results, for the crowd melted and disappeared.

aroused has been harmful, apart from the necessary secrecy with which these proposals have been enshrouded. In a recent speech, Sir Laurence humorously remarked that mares nested in this country rather more frequently than they did in colder climes; that may be so, but this undermining of a political structure which has the complete confidence of the great commercial interests which have grown up under its protection, and which unquestionably saved the native States from annexation twenty years ago, has aroused genuine alarm, and if His Excellency has his own way he may be disagreeably remembered long after he has said good-bye to Malaya.

THE CANTON-KOWLOON RAILWAY.

SUGGESTED RESUMPTION OF TRAFFIC.

STRIKERS' PROPOSALS.

Reports are current in Canton that the Bureau of Communications is contemplating the resumption of the through train service to Kowloon, and that it is in communication with the Strike Union on the matter.

It is stated that the Strike Union has submitted a proposal that the through train from Canton to Kowloon be required to stop at Shum-chun for half an hour, and that the through train from Kowloon to Canton, stop for an hour, in order to give sufficient time for the pickets to examine permits and inspect the luggage of the passengers and thus prevent the violation of the regulations of the Strike Union. For this purpose, the Railway Administration is asked to erect an examination shed. It remains to be seen whether such plans will be put into effect.

Owing to increase traffic for military purposes on the Canton-Hankow Railway, extra precautionary measures have been taken against attacks by bandits. All along the line, temporary barracks have been erected, in which large detachments of soldiers are stationed. In addition, on every train there is a company of soldiers fully armed, to protect it against sudden attacks. At such places as Li Tung, Ying Tak, Oo-shak and Ma-Pa, additional troops have been stationed.

MATTEOTTI'S MURDER.

ACCUSED'S DRAMATIC STORY.

Chitai, March, 16.

At the trial of five men, Dumini, Viola, Volpi, Poveromo and Malacria, accused of the "wilful but unpremeditated killing" of Matteotti, the Socialist Deputy, Dumini giving evidence, said he had concluded that Matteotti was concerned in the murder of the fascist, Bonaerizi, and thereafter he watched Matteotti's house. He saw him going out, when an image of Bonaerizi immediately entered his mind, and, acting on the impulse of the moment, he kidnapped Matteotti. He drove the motor car in which Matteotti was carried off and had proceeded a certain distance when his companions informed him that Matteotti was ill. He got out of the car and did his best for the prisoner, who died within five minutes, profusely bleeding from the mouth. The party wandered a long way across the country and buried the corpse after removing the clothes to conceal identification. —Reuter.

NEW BARRISTER.

CHINESE ADMITTED TO PRACTICE.

A new barrister for Hongkong, in the person of Mr. Hin Shing-lo, was admitted to practice by the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan) at the Supreme Court this morning. In moving Mr. Lo's admission, the Attorney General (Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp) said that Mr. Lo was born in Hongkong, was educated at Queen's College, where he became Head Prefect; at the Hongkong University, where he took his B. A. degree; and at Cambridge University, where he took his M. A. He was called to the Bar on the 26th June, 1923, and had practised in England since that period. Mr. Lo had filed an affidavit, while the certificate of identity had been filed by Mr. Lo Chop-soo, his brother.

CEMENT MEETING.

TSUN WAN SCHEME DELAYED.

HOPES FOR FUTURE.

The postponement of the projected scheme for the building of a factory at Tsun Wan was announced by Mr. R. G. Shewan, who presided at this morning's meeting of shareholders of the Green Island Cement Company, Limited. There were also present: Mr. Allan Cameron, Mr. J. Scott Harston, Mr. Li Tse-fong, Mr. C. A. da Rosa, Mr. Conrad F. Mendham (directors); Mr. Allan Keith (secretary), Messrs. C. G. Alabaster, Tong Hok-ting, D. M. Goodall, M. A. Figueredo, I. W. Shewan, A. L. Shields, W. E. Van Eps, D. W. Munton, J. Coulthart, W. J. Carroll, G. H. Potts, J. T. Bagram, W. J. Stokes, J. M. Alves, A.H.M. da Silva, N. V. A. Croucher, A. A. Alves, I. F. da Rocha, C. S. Remedios, P. M. N. da Silva, J. E. Joseph and S. Michael (shareholders).

CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH.

The Secretary having read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen:—As the report and accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1925, have been in your hands for some time past I will with your permission take them as read. The result of the year's work certainly compares unfavourably with that of previous years, but I need make no apology for this as you all know the unfavourable business conditions with which we have had to contend since the beginning of the strike of Chinese labour last June. The balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account is \$501,458.06 as against \$693,148.60 for 1924, and under all the circumstances not only as regards the lack of labour but also the reduced local demand and the difficulty of securing the usual shipping facilities for export, I do not think much better could be expected.

As for the prospects for the coming year, I hardly dare to speak, but, if anything, there seems to be a little more enquiry now than there was at the end of the year and we can only hope that this may continue. We are fortunate in having a good supply of Lime-stone as the work of the contractors at Bias Bay was all put a stop to by the outbreak of trouble there, the place appears to be in the hands of bandits and the prospects of building the proposed light railway and pier are very indefinite at present. As indicated at last year's meeting the ground at Castle Peak was sold and the surplus of \$1,114.44 appears in the Profit and Loss Account.

As regards the proposed factory at Tsun Wan, the necessary work of obtaining borings and soundings for the reclamation of the site has been carried out, and much work has been done at home in obtaining estimates and information as to the best and most economical type of plant, but after careful consideration of the position, your Directors in face of the difficulty of obtaining labour and the necessary financial facilities, felt that there was no course open to them but to stop further proceedings and postpone the whole matter until the trade of the Colony returns to normal conditions. This, of course, is very disappointing to all concerned, but on the other hand we have done all we could to push on the completion of the grinding machinery for the rotary grates which are now taking the place of four of the old Aalborg kilns at Hok Yuen with good results. Two more are under construction at Macao and should be finished and at work before the end of this year. Unless, therefore, some very great increase in the (Continued on Page 7.)

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PLOT TO ROB A. P. C.

INGENIOUS CONSPIRACY FOILED.

The story of a daring and complicated conspiracy to defraud the Asiatic Petroleum Co. was related at the Central Magistrate's yesterday, when a Chinese was charged with being concerned in an attempt to steal six tons of crude oil from the North Point installation of the A. P. C.

Evidence showed that the electric light failed on the night of the attempt, and that oil had been run out of the pipe lines into a boat. It was stated that a watchman had fired on supposed accomplices who approached the pier and tried to recover the boat containing the oil.

Mr. L. D. Turner, prosecuting, said the pipe lines ran down the pier. The first intimation that anything was wrong came when the lights on the water front failed. Two watchmen saw a man on the pier about 1.45 a.m. on March 2, and he was arrested.

It was found that a control wheel was fixed to the pipe-line, and that another pipe was connected up to a small boat.

Manager's Evidence.

The other evidence was given by Mr. W. B. Lightburn, the manager of the installation, who said that on March 1, he received a telephone message saying that a ship would be bunkered on the following day. He gave instructions for a certain lighter to have "alarm up" between 9 and 10 the next morning. Defendant was the pumpman and fireman on that particular lighter.

The lighter was alongside the bunkering berth, and witness stated that he knew no reason why the man should be on the jetty in the small hours of the morning. He had no duties there.

At about seven o'clock on March 1 a watchman reported to witness that the lights would not function and witness looked at the fuse and it appeared to be alright. In consequence of the light failure, witness told the watchman to keep an especially keen look out during the night.

Pipes Connected.

At about two o'clock in the morning a watchman came to his house, and witness went down to the compound. He found three watchmen there with a man in custody. He made an inspection of the premises with an electric torch and went to the jetty.

He found a handwheel on the main valve of No. 1 pipe line, and a plate bolted to the end of the valve had been removed. A length of hose had been connected to the pipe line with clamps, and led on to the edge of the jetty and was fastened to a canvas sheet.

At the edge of the jetty there was a Chinese water boat with tanks, which had a pump on board. He could see that there was a quantity of oil in the boat, and left a watchman on duty there.

Mr. Turner said that although it was not part of the case for the prosecution he thought an incident which occurred during the night tended to show that there had been a general conspiracy.

Shot Fired.

He explained that several watchmen were on duty, and during the night they noticed several sampans coming towards the boat which contained the oil. "I understand they made an attempt to recover the boat and that a watchman fired a shot at them" he added.

Mr. Lightburn, giving further evidence, said that when he made another examination of the boat he found it contained six tons of oil. When lighters were not being loaded at the installation, the handwheels controlling the pipe line supply were kept in his office, and he had been unable to account for the disappearance of one from his office.

NORTHERN WAR.

JAPAN'S ULTIMATUM.

Tientsin, March 16.
Heavy firing has been proceeding over the week-end at Lanchow, where the railway staff at the station are living in dug outs. It is reported the Kuominchun troops started to evacuate yesterday.

Peking, March 16.
A local report confirms the news of a Japanese ultimatum, and says the time expires in two days.

It is not yet certain what action will be taken if there be no compliance. The Legations are now considering that point.

Shanghai, March 16.

A message from Japanese sources at Tientsin reports that British, Japanese, French, American and Italian Naval agents have handed in an ultimatum to General Lu Chung-lin, the commander of the Kuominchun troops for the district of Tientsin, and the commander of the Chinese Yellow Sea squadron, demanding that the squadron be withdrawn from Tientsin, that marine mines be removed, that the inspection of foreign vessels cease and that the beacons be replaced. The ultimatum notifies that if the demands are not complied with within a fixed term (which the report does not state) the Powers concerned will resort to united naval force.

MR. DAVID KEITH.

PRESENTATION AT BOWLING GREEN CLUB.

Mr. David Keith, a former committee member of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club, was presented with two water-colour paintings of Hongkong, yesterday evening, at a gathering in the Club premises, in view of his approaching departure from the Colony. He is leaving for home on Friday, by the Empress of Canada.

In making the presentation, on behalf of the members of the committee, the President, Mr. P. T. Farrell, referred in eulogistic terms to the services of Mr. Keith to the Club, particularly in connection with the initial work for the construction of their new pavilion. Mr. Keith suitably replied.

An Indian police guard said that when the lights failed the manager ordered him to find the electrician but he could not do so.

It was explained that the electrician did not live near the spot, and there was no suggestion that he had anything to do with the case.

Second Thoughts.

Continuing witness said that a Chinese came up to him about ten o'clock and said that some oil was to be stolen. Witness disbelieved it, and went to bed. Later however he thought there may be some truth in the story, and he got up and went to the jetty.

He saw a ship out at sea, flash a light towards the shore, and the signal was answered from a lighter. He also saw a junk come close in, and noticed a man go off one of the lighters.

Witness went to the pipe line and found defendant sitting there. He arrested the man, and blew his whistle. He saw another man jump down from the jetty, and heard him splash into the water. Another man jumped off the junk.

It was stated that the pipe delivered 300 tons of oil an hour, and consequently, that in the boat, could have been stored in five minutes.

The case was adjourned until to-day.

THE LEAGUE CRISIS.

MORE CONFERENCES.

Geneva, March 16.
Meetings of all the Dominions representatives were summoned at ten this morning, in order that Sir Austen Chamberlain might inform them of the latest phases of the situation.

The Brazilian Foreign Minister, Senor Franco and the representatives of Guiana and Uruguay, both non-permanent members of the Council, are conferring with the delegates of other Latin-American states, for the purpose of furnishing to the latter explanations of the crisis and the attitude of Brazil regarding her claim to a permanent seat.

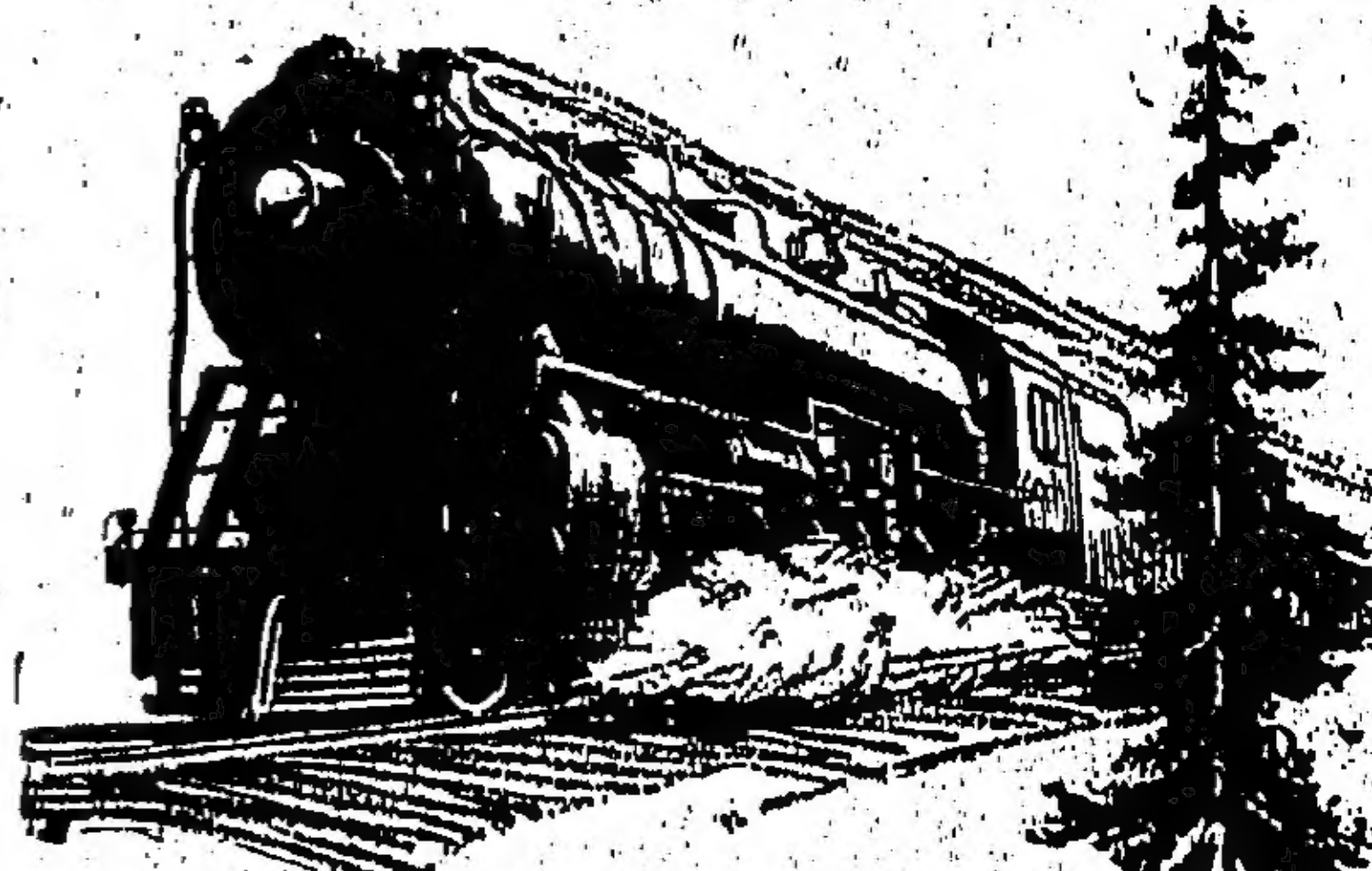
Geneva, later.
The conference of Dominions representatives broke up at 11.30. The delegates said the situation was much more hopeful.

ANOTHER FLIGHT.

DANISH AIRMEN'S VENTURE.

Copenhagen, March 16.
The Danish army airmen, Botvend and Berschend, departed at eleven this morning in two aeroplanes, on an attempt to fly to Tokyo via Bagdad, Calcutta, Bangkok and Peking.

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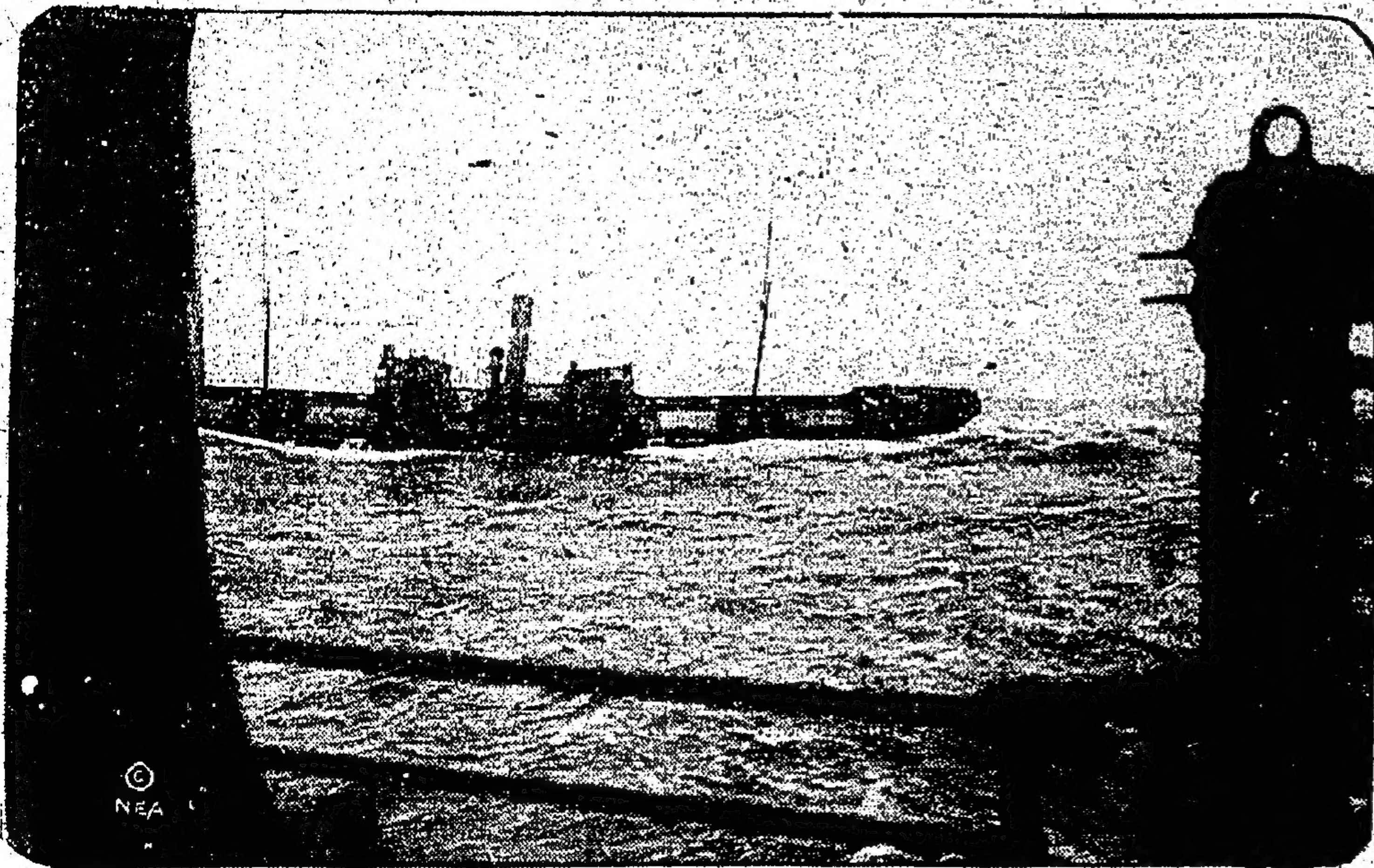
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The Sinking Antioe.



This photograph shows the sinking British steamship Antioe just after the last of her crew of 25 men had been saved in mid-Atlantic by the American liner President Roosevelt. The view is from one of the rescue ship's gangway entrances. To reach the reeling, water-logged, and doomed Antioe, the President Roosevelt fought for 84 hours a nerve-racking battle with hurricane-like winds and mountainous seas. Two of the President Roosevelt seamen paid for the gallant victory with their lives.

Countess of Cathcart



Vera, Countess of Cathcart, who was sent to Ellis Island when she attempted to enter the United States. Her elopement with the Earl of Craven, as a result of which her husband obtained a divorce, was given as the reason for delaying her entrance. She has now won her appeal.

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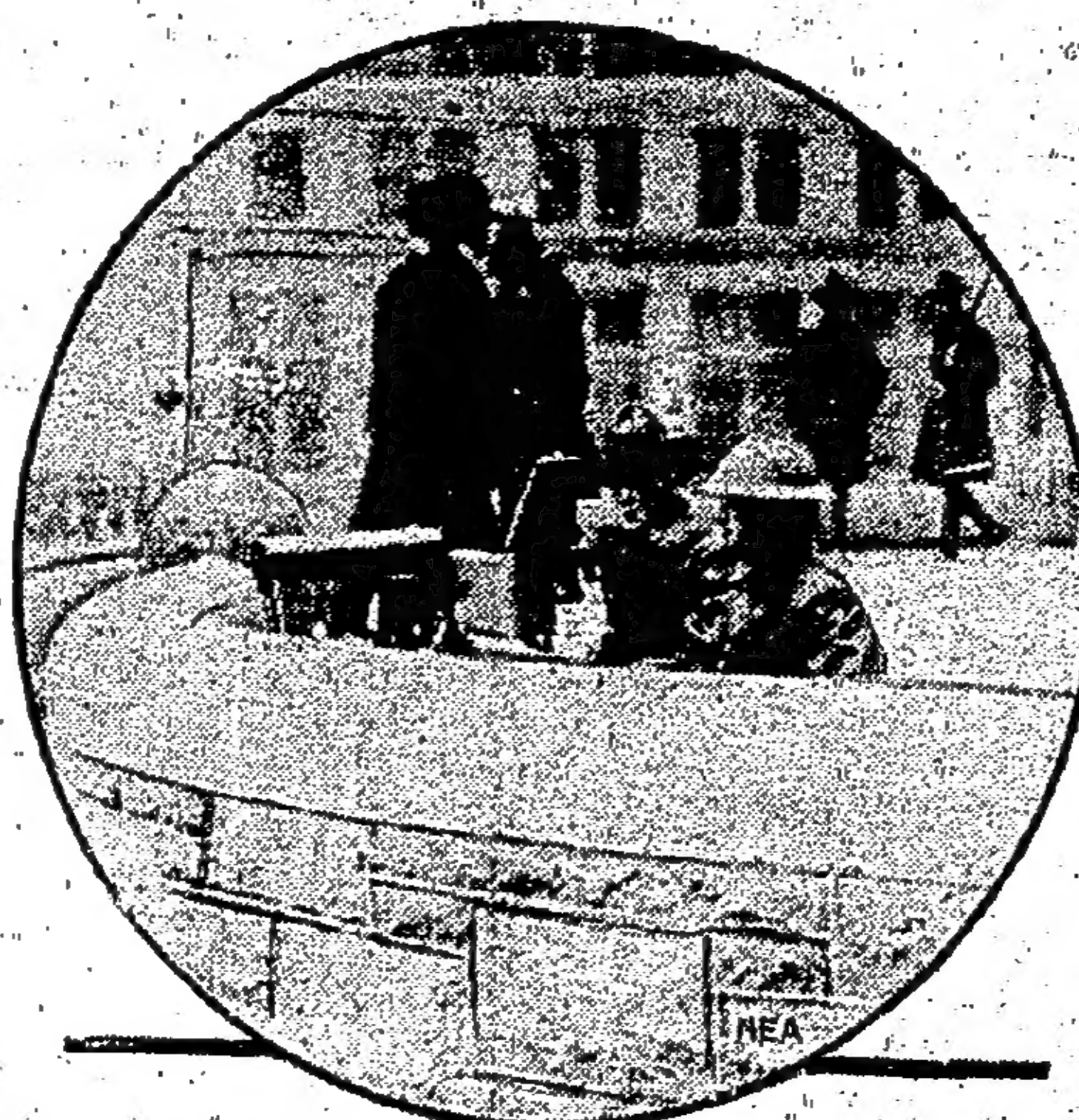
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Negro Trial in Kentucky.



Officials took no chances in Lexington, Kentucky, when Ed. Harris, negro, was brought to trial for the murder of Clarence Bryant, Mrs. Bryant and their two children. One thousand national guardsmen, with three tanks, three pieces of artillery and thirtyseven machine guns, were on duty to foil any attempt to lynch the prisoner. The photo above shows the guardsmen on duty beside the Lexington court house.

Machine Gun Emplacement.



Kentucky national guardsmen in a machine gun emplacement overlooking the approach to the court house at Lexington.

Cardinal Mercier's Funeral.



In the foreground of this uniformed group at the funeral of Cardinal Mercier are Marshal Foch (left), King Albert of the Belgians (centre) and Crown Prince Leopold of Belgium.

New Statue.



Mr. George Fife Waters, American sculptor and pupil of Rodin, works in his Paris studio on a 10-foot statue of Abe Lincoln, to be unveiled in Portland, Maine.

Unveiled at Last.



St. Gaudens' seated figure of Abraham Lincoln—the statue which the sculptor hoped would be the crowning work of his career—was finished 20 years ago, but has been kept in a warehouse in Chicago ever since because Grant Park, where it was to be placed, was not finished. Now it has been mounted on the Chicago lake front, and was unveiled on Lincoln's birthday.

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NOTICE.

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DONNELLY & WHYTE,
1st February, 1926.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

THE THIRTY SEVENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THE COMPANY will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong on Wednesday 17th March, 1926, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December 1925, and declaring a Dividend.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from Wednesday 3rd March 1926, until Wednesday 17th March 1926, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
SHEWAN TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the First Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 3rd April 1926 (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Race Course, Hongkong Club and Causeway Bay Stables.

Entries will close at 12 o'clock noon on Saturday 20th March 1926.

KOWLOON GOLF CLUB.

Extraordinary General Meeting.
Will be held at the Kowloon British School at 6 p.m. To-night for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, approving the alterations to the Articles of Association of the Club.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL

We have this day removed to Bank of Canton Building, First Floor.

J. GIBBS & CO.,
Hongkong, 16th March, 1926.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

It is regretted that the State of the Race Course will not permit of its use for School Sports or Athletic Meetings.

R. J. PATERSON,
Clerk of the Course,
Hongkong, 12th March, 1926.

HONGKONG AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the annual general MEETING of the Members of this Association will be held in the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Tuesday, 23rd March, 1926, at 5.15 p.m., to pass and adopt the Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1925, and to elect Officers, etc.

By Order,
P. M. HODGSON,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, March 15, 1926.

INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS AND SHIPBUILDERS.

NOTICE.

An extraordinary General Meeting will be held on Friday, the 26th instant at 6 p.m. in the Reading Room of the Institution.

Objects as posted in the Hall of the Institution and circularised to Members.

P. T. FARRELL,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1926.

HONGKONG BOXING ASSOCIATION.

THEATRE ROYAL.

March, 20th, 1926, at 9.15 p.m. Sixth Tournament of the Season.

Main Event.
Fifteen Round Contest
Stoker Nagelin, French
cruiser "Jules Michelet"

Kid Alfred, Manila, P.I.
And about five other contests.
Booking at Moutrie's for Members only on Thursday, the 18th.
General Public, Friday the 19th and Saturday the 20th instant.
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THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

The forty-second ordinary annual MEETING of shareholders in the above Company will be held at St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, on Thursday, the 25th March, 1926, at 11 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving a statement of accounts and the report of the General Managers for the year ended 31st December, 1925, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Saturday, the 20th March, 1926, until Thursday, the 25th March, 1926, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, March 15, 1926.

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

With reference to the Notice to the Shareholders of this Company dated 27th January, 1926, whereby the Final Call of \$5.00 per share on the New Shares was made payable on 1st April, 1926, instead of 1st February, 1926, the General Managers and Consulting Committee have decided, in view of the conditions prevailing at present, to further extend the time for payment of this Call.

Notice is accordingly hereby given that the date for payment of the Final Call is postponed to 2nd July, 1926, and that the Form of Bankers' Receipt already sent to Shareholders can be used as though the date named therein were the 2nd July, 1926.

FOR THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.
SHEWAN TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, March 16, 1926.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The fifty-seventh Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Friday, the 26th March, 1926, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December 1925.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 12th to the 26th March, 1926, both days inclusive.

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Hongkong, March 5, 1926.

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Notice is hereby given that the Forty-first Annual Ordinary General Meeting of the Company (since its registration) will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 27th March, 1926, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st October, 1925.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Friday, the 19th day of March, to Monday, the 29th day of March, 1926, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1926.

HONGKONG ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.

NOTICE OF MEETING.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fourth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders of the Hongkong Engineering and Construction Co., Ltd., will be held in the Office of Messrs. Shewan, Tomes and Co., St. George's Building, Chater Road, Hongkong, on Wednesday, the 24th day of March, 1926, at 11.00 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the year ended on the 31st December, 1925, and of electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 18th to the 24th March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
S. COURTNEY COOK,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 9th March, 1926.

LAMMERT'S AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on
Thursday, the 18th March 1926 commencing at 11 a.m. at No. 8, Duddell Street.

A QUANTITY OFFICE AND HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.
Terms:—Cash on Delivery
LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned, have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

FRIDAY,
the 19th March, 1926, commencing at 11 a.m., at Queen's Building Godown, Ground Floor, Water Front,
Old Iron.
Old Ammonia Cylinders.
Life Boat Sails.
Fire Fighting Helmets with Bellows and Tubes.
1 Lot Cooking Pots.
Cushion Covers.
6 Cases Tea.
5 Cases each containing 10 Gallon Tins Red Copper Paint.
1 Lot Steam Pipes for Steamers.
Deep Tank.
Steel and Wood Purchase Blocks.
Double and Triple with Iron Sheaves.

And
A Quantity of Old Iron Cables.
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LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, March 11, 1926.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

FRIDAY,
the 19th March, 1926, at 11 a.m., at Queen's Building Godown, Ground Floor, Water Front:
Three Second Hand Cylindrical Multitubular Marine Boilers 15' 9" diameter x 11' 6" long by Parsons Marine Steam Turbine Co., Ltd., Newcastle-on-Tyne.
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LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1926.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions from Messrs. Yue Lee Yuen to sell by Public Auction, on

FRIDAY,
the 19th March, 1926, commencing at 10.30 a.m., at their Sales Room, Duddell Street; (for account of the concerned).
3,000 Bags No. 24 Java Coarse Grain Sugar.
Terms:—As Customary.

LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, March 16, 1926.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

FRIDAY,
the 19th March, 1926, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Room, Duddell Street.

A Large Quantity of Office and Household Furniture,

Comprising:
Teak Bookcases, Teak Filing Cabinets, Teak Hatstands, Chairs, Screens, Tables, Tapestry Covered Couch and Armchairs, Ornaments, Curios, etc., etc.

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LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1926.

THE AUCTIONEERING & BROKERING Co., Ltd.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEES.

The Auctioneering and Brokering Company Limited have received instructions to sell by

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Thursday, the 25th day of March, 1926, at 3 o'clock p.m.

By
Messrs. LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.

At their Saleroom in Duddell Street.

PARTICULARS.
The property is situate on a piece or parcel of ground registered in the Land Office as Section D of New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 42. The said premises are held for the term of 75 years with a right of renewal of the further term of 24 years by a Crown Lease dated 31st day of December, 1910, and made between His Majesty King George the 5th of the one part and Li Ping of the other part subject to the payment of a proportion of the rent and performance of the covenants in the said Crown Lease.

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Messrs. HASTINGS, DENNIS AND BOWLEY,
Solicitors, 8 Des Voeux Road, Central.
or to

Messrs. LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers, Duddell Street.
Hongkong, March 11, 1926.

EMPIRE TIMBER.

PRINCE OF WALES APPEAL.

Rugby, March 16.
Presiding at the annual general meeting of the Empire Forestry Association the Prince of Wales said that considering what excellent timber of every kind the Empire produced, it appeared rather unfortunate that this country should depend so much as it did on foreign supplies. Last year we paid over \$46,000,000 for imported timber of which only 18 per cent. came from Empire sources. Canada produced the finest soft wood in world. He appealed to large users of timber, such as railway companies and builders, to bear that in mind when they were placing orders. The Prince further appealed to architects and furniture makers to remember that hard wood of India and Australia was unsurpassed for beauty and variety and afforded wonderful opportunity for the craftsman who had sufficient enterprise to leave the beaten track.—British Wireless.

SIR PHILIP WATTS.

FAMOUS NAVAL ARCHITECT'S WEALTH.

London, March 16.
The death is announced of Sir Philip Watts, the famous British naval architect.—Reuter.
The late Colonel Sir Philip Watts, K.C.B., LL.D., D. Sc., F.R.S., who was only a few weeks off 80 years of age, was for many years in the Constructive Department of the Admiralty. He was later Chairman of the Federation of Shipbuilders, and was Naval Architect and Director of the War Shipbuilding Department of Messrs. Sir W. G. Armstrong-Whitworth and Co., Ltd.—a post he held for nearly 20 years. From 1901 to 1912 he was Director of Naval Construction at the Admiralty and was afterwards Advisor on construction. He was a very keen Volunteer, and was at one time Commanding Officer of the 1st Northumberland Brigade of the Royal Field Artillery. He equipped and sent out the Elswick Battery to the Boer War in 1900.

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OVER 153 MILES PER HOUR.

Rugby, March 16.
Major Seagrave to-day broke the world's motoring record for the flying kilometre, with a new Sunbeam car. The time is given as 14.68 seconds, which is over 153 miles an hour. The New car is the smallest ever built for this particular record, and it is rated at only 33 horse-power.—British Wireless.

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COMPANY REPORTS.

HONGKONG ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.

The report of the Board of Directors of the Hongkong Engineering and Construction Co., Ltd., to be presented at the fourth ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders to be held at St. George's Building, Chater Road, Hongkong, on Wednesday, March 24th, at 11 a.m., states:

After writing off \$48,495.70 for depreciation, which is charged in the Working Account, the Profit and Loss Account, so far as it relates to contracts completed during the year, shows a credit balance of \$70,101.25. As regards the works in progress, your Directors regret to report that the expenditure during 1925 in connection with the contract made in 1923 with the Hongkong Government has been so greatly in excess of the returns that it has been found necessary to debit the Profit and Loss Account for 1925 with a further sum of \$220,000.00 on account of estimated losses to the 31st December, 1925, on three unfinished contracts. This, together with the \$250,000.00 charged to the 1924 account, makes a total of \$470,000, which has been deducted from the cost of works in progress, as shown in the Balance Sheet.

The result of this is to leave a debit balance for the year 1925 of \$149,898.75 to which must be added the debit balance brought forward from 1924, amounting to \$183,560.24, making a total adverse balance to the 31st December, 1925 of \$333,458.99 which it is proposed to carry forward to next year.

Directors.

Mr. J. Scott Harston and the Very Revd. Father Robert retire by rotation and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.

The accounts for the year have been audited by Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, Chartered Accountants, who, being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

The report for presentation to the shareholders of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Ltd., at the fifty-seventh ordinary meeting, to be held at the offices of the Company, on Friday, March 26th, at noon, states:

Working Account 1924.

This Account shows surplus of \$334,656.09.

Reserve Fund.

It is proposed to appropriate \$100,000.00 out of the profits of the year 1924 to the credit of this fund. The reserve will then stand at \$2,100,000.00.

Reinsurance Fund.

It is proposed to appropriate \$15,447.73, at exchange 2/4%—\$130,656.09, out of the profits of the year 1924 to the credit of this fund. The fund will then stand at \$213,904.07.

Dividend.

The General Managers and Consulting Committee have pleasure in recommending a dividend of \$38 per share absorbing \$304,000.00.

Working Account 1925.

The balance at credit of this account is \$590,782.41.

Consulting Committee.

The Hon. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., Sir Robert Ho Tung, Messrs. C. Bernard Brown, A. H. Compton, A. S. Gubbay, T. E. Pearce and H. P. White retire but, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.

The Accounts have been audited by Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews and Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming who, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

The statements that, while women may not use the strong word at hockey, "everybody swears at golf," recalls the case of a player who used a forcible word and apologised to his girl partner for so transgressing before her. "Forgiveness and explanation followed at once. "You didn't," she answered. "I said it first."

ANIMAL VICTIMS.

AN AMERICAN HOLOCAUST.

Feelingly Described.

New York, March 16.

The heaviest loss of animal and bird life recorded in American annals, occurred in the early hours this morning through a fire, starting in two barrels of sawdust, which killed a thousand canaries, 500 lovebirds, numerous others, and 150 monkeys. The frightened jungle cries of macaws and parakeets first attracted a passing policeman. Firemen found the rooms filled with helpless animals striving desperately to escape from their cages, hundreds of others being already stretched dead on the floor. The larger animals pathetically attempted to restore their mates to life. One baboon had to be removed by force from the side of a dead companion. A mother monkey saved the life of her baby by stretching herself over the "minnie." A house cat carried three kittens to fresh air and safety.

—Reuter's American Service.

MATTEOTTI'S MURDER.

TRIAL OF FIVE MEN OPENS.

A "Lofly Mission."

Chieti, March 16.

The trial of five men, Dumini, Viola, Volpi, Poveromo and Malacra, accused of the "wilful but unpremeditated killing" of Matteotti, the Socialist Deputy, the discovery of whose body in July, 1924, after his disappearance in June previous, caused a world-wide sensation, has opened at the court of assize in this town in remote Abruzzi.

Dumini, the chief prisoner, is defended by Farinacci, the Fascist secretary general, who wore a black robe presented to him by local women Fascists.

The chief of the Chieti bar welcomed Farinacci and his colleagues, who had come "to perform the lofty mission of defending the accused."—Reuter.

CANTON AND MACAO.

COMMUNICATIONS TO BE REOPENED.

Canton, March 16.

Definite measures have been decided upon in the negotiations for the restoration of communications between Canton and Macao.

It is proposed that first of all one or two steamers be allowed to convey passengers, without cargo, between the two ports; and it is stated that this measure may be carried out in two or three days.—Wah Kiu Yat Po.

CANADIAN GOLD.

THIRTY MILLION DOLLARS FOR NEW YORK.

New York, March 16.

The arrival of thirty million dollars from Canada, during the past fortnight, marks the largest movement of gold to New York since the British shipment in the Autumn. The remittance is not expected to be greatly increased, as the Canadian rate of exchange which originally induced the movement, has been steadily improving for the past few days.—Reuter's American Service.

WHERE'S JONES?

DOCTOR'S VAIN HUNT IN TELEPHONE DIRECTORY.

Hunting for Jones in the Telephone Directory is one of the national sports of Wales, judging by remarks made by Alderman Cornelius Roberts at Pwllheli Town Council.

It was almost impossible to find a number when the whole of North Wales was compiled in one district, he said. If a subscriber wanted to find a Jones he would have to go through all the Jones's in North Wales before he could find the one he wanted.

Councillor Josiah Williams said he knew of a medical man who failed to find the number of a patient named Jones, although he spent some hours looking for it.

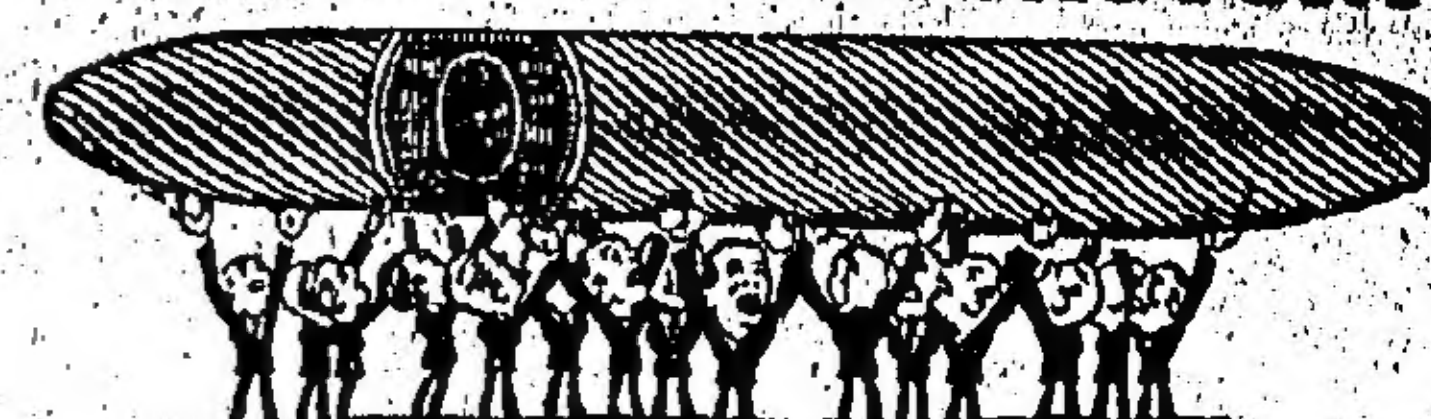
It was agreed to urge the telephone authorities to arrange that towns and urban areas should be separate districts in the directory.

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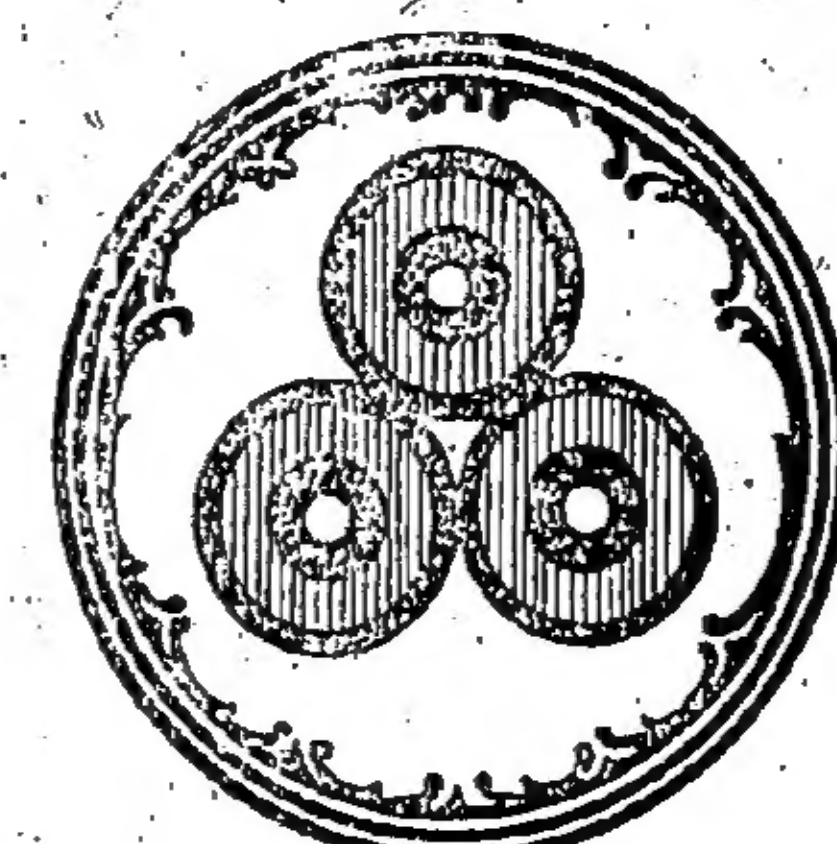
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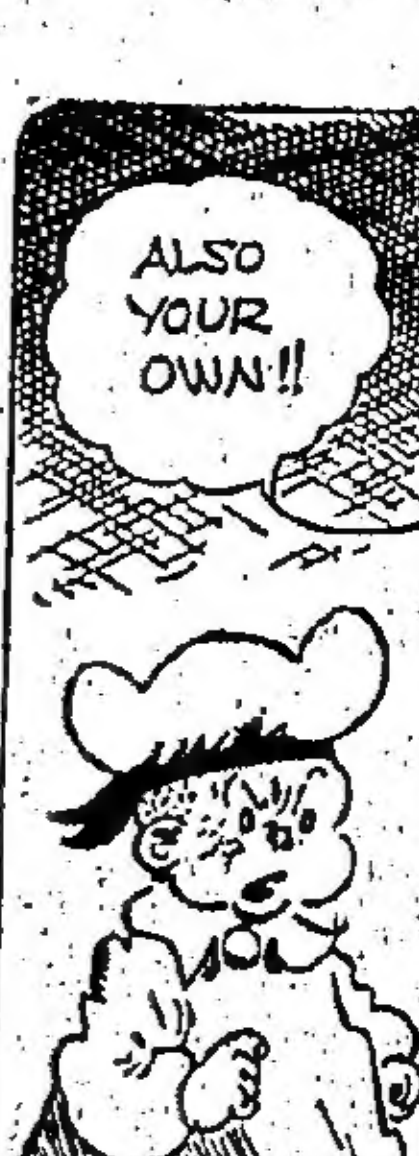
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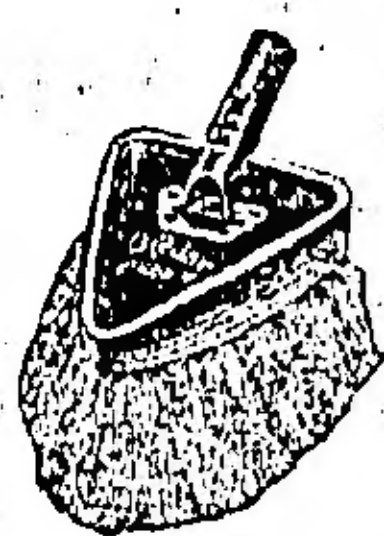
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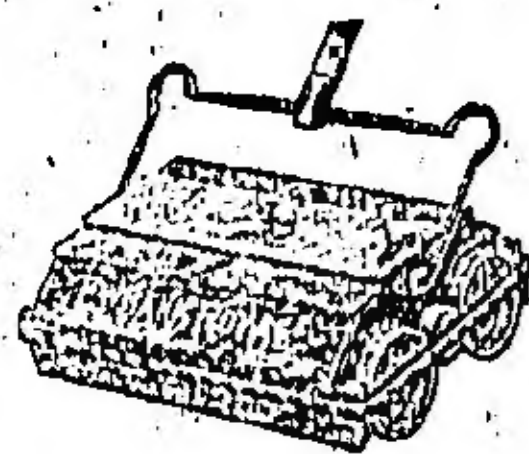
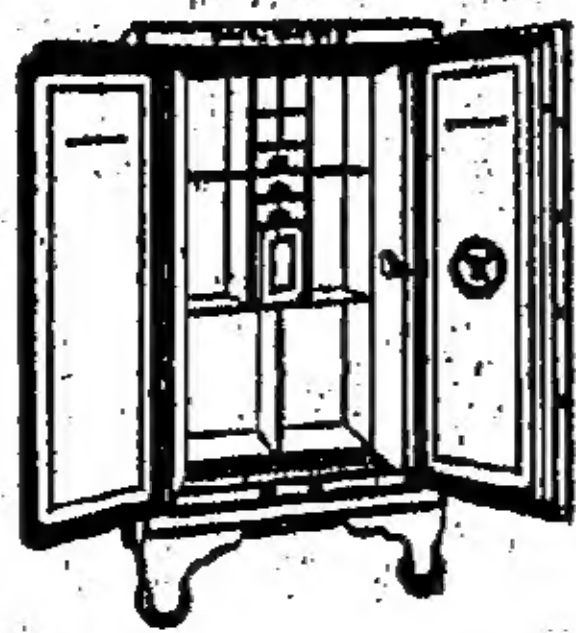
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MARRIAGE.

LOWSON - DOGGART. — At Kulangsu, Amoy, on March 12th, James McKie Atkinson Lowson, M.A., M.B., Ch. B. (St. And.), of Forfar, Scotland, to Winifred Norah Doggart, M.B., Ch. B. (St. And.), of St. Andrews, Scotland.

The Telegraph.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 1926.

CANTON QUERIES.

It will have been seen from our issue of yesterday that the police authorities in Canton are so concerned over the frequent clashes between rival labour organisations that they have been urging the Government to disarm all pickets excepting those belonging to the Canton-Hongkong Strike Union. The matter is said to have been considered by the Government, with the result that instructions have been issued along the lines urged by the police. That is so much to the good, but it would be pertinent just now to ask the reason for the exclusion of boycott pickets from the terms of this order. Do the police and the Government officials generally regard these boycott pickets as a law unto themselves, and are they to be permitted to follow their policy of intimidation and terrorism without official check of any kind? It certainly looks like it.

The point to be kept in mind, however, is that if the Government can disarm one group of armed pickets, it can surely take like action against others. So long as it does not do so, the impression must remain that the desire to deal with the boycotters is absent. It is to the point, also, to ask from what source these pickets obtain their arms. If from the Government, then it is surely within the province of the authorities to call them back. On the other hand, if the men or the organisations behind them supply the weapons, it is equally up to the Government to issue an order for the disarming of all pickets. In no well-ordered society would any group of men be permitted to go about fully armed, interfering with the free movement of persons and merchandise. Inaction by the Government, from whatever source the arms may have been obtained, amounts to tacit acquiescence in, if not actual

approval of, the whole picket system.

In this, as in other matters, we still look in vain for some evidence of a desire on the part of the Canton Government to put an end to the boycott. Either the authorities have the means of controlling the boycott organisation, or they have not. If they have, their failure to put a stop to what is admittedly a flagrant infringement of Treaty rights can only be construed as meaning that they have not the inclination to do so. That, in turn, implies official backing of the movement. It is either one thing or the other; the Canton Government cannot have it both ways. There is another aspect to this issue, of which we are afraid the Canton Government takes little note. It is this—that power wielded for any length of time by any faction is reluctantly surrendered. In the long run, therefore, the authorities may themselves suffer through lack of firm action against these armed pickets. No Government can afford to have its rights usurped by any organisation, be the inspiring motive whatever it may. That is a point over which Canton will do well to ponder.

Prohibition "Sensations."

In spite of the fact that violation of the prohibition laws of the United States has been open and widespread ever since the laws were passed, there must have been a big sensation caused throughout the whole of the States by the disclosure (telegraphed yesterday) of a huge bootleg conspiracy in Cleveland, in which it is alleged that millionaires, Government officials and many others were involved. It has always been possible to get a "wet" drink in "dry" America, and it was announced early this year that a special campaign was going to be made to enforce prohibition in a stricter way. General Lincoln Andrews was chosen as chief of this campaign, and he recently told the Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives that it would cost the nation at least \$25,000,000 to maintain prohibition enforcement at its present level during the present year. He gave no estimate of how much it would cost to bring about total enforcement. Since that time there has been talk of General Andrews resigning, but he says he is going to remain to see whether his methods of enforcement are successful. He is said to have devised a new plan for preventing legally manufactured beer and alcohol from getting into the hands of bootleggers, and says he has organised a "beer squad" for this purpose. It may be that the disclosure of the conspiracy detailed in Router's telegram of yesterday, was in the nature of a sequel to General Andrews' new-style vigilance. Inasmuch as the "wets" in the United States are also making a special campaign this year on behalf of getting legal sanction for the manufacture and sale of beers and light wines, it is possible that 1926 will be a fateful year for prohibition's cause. The measure is obviously unpopular, and it has brought a great deal of technical "lawlessness" with it. Would it not be better to adopt a rational compromise than continue the everlasting fight with its periodical sensations and disclosures on either side? America will possibly answer decisively before long.

EXCHANGE RATES.

Rugby, March, 16.	
To-day's exchange rates are as follow:	
Paris	134 1/2
Amsterdam	12 1/2
Brussels	11 1/2
Berlin	20 1/2
Copenhagen	18 1/2
Vienna	24 1/2
Helsinki	193 1/2
Lisbon	25 1/2
Buenos Aires	43 1/2
Shanghai	1/10 1/2
Yokohama	1/10 1/2
New York	48 1/2
Genoa	25 1/2
Milan	121 1/2
Stockholm	18 1/2
Oslo	25 1/2
Prague	24 1/2
Madrid	7 1/2
Bombay	1/6 1/2
Hongkong	2/3 1/2
Silver (spot)	80 1/2
Silver (forward)	80 1/2

—British Wireless.

DAY BY DAY.

THE HUMAN MIND HAS THREE KEYS OPENING ALL LOCKS: KNOWLEDGE, REFLECTION, IMAGINATION.—Victor Hugo.

The s.s. Taiping (E. and O. Line) is due here on Thursday at daylight.

The weather forecast up to noon to-morrow is:—E. winds, fresh; overcast, drizzle and mist.

Some person or persons entered an unnumbered house at Shaokwan, and stole a box containing clothing, jewellery and money, to the value of \$29.80.

The French cruiser Jules Michelet, which has expected to stay in the Colony until early next week, is under orders to sail for the North this afternoon.

Mr. F. E. Booker, has qualified for the Adamson Cup in the March competition in connection with the Royal Hongkong Golf Club, with a score of 74 (95 minus 22).

Leave on private affairs to the United Kingdom has been granted to Captain L. D. Joll, from April 7th to October 6th, and to Lieut. H. L. C. Hall, R.A., from March 20th to September 20th.

After being bitten by a dog, owned by a Chinese residing at No. 146, Wellington Street, second floor, a Chinese male was sent to the Government Civil Hospital. The dog has been taken to Kennedy Town.

Messrs. Benjamin and Potts are advised from their Shanghai office that the Chemor United Rubber Estates, Ltd., have declared a final dividend of 25 cents, making 40 cents for the year; whilst the Kota Bahru Estates, Ltd., have declared an interim dividend of 15 cents.

As three Chinese were working on a scaffolding at No. 97, Connaught Road West, the planking suddenly overturned, and the men were thrown to the ground. Two of the men were slightly hurt, but the third, who was removed to the Government Civil Hospital, died soon after admission.

Among the passengers who arrived from Shanghai in Hongkong by the s.s. Portheos was Mr. Marcel Goldschmidt, a former manager of the Tientsin branch of Messrs. J. Ullmann & Co., who is replacing the local manager, Mr. L. Walch. The latter is proceeding to France on leave at the end of the month.

After their brief season at the Star Theatre, Kowloon, which started on Saturday, "The Quinets" will appear at the Theatre Royal. There will be three productions of "No, No, Nanette," commencing with Monday, on which night His Excellency the Governor and Lady Clementi will be present.

Last week's health return contained ten cases of notifiable disease, all being Chinese. There was one case of a dog suffering from rabies. There were five cases of enteric, two of rabies, and one each of small-pox, diphtheria and cerebro-spinal fever. The deaths numbered six—three from enteric, and one each from diphtheria, small-pox and rabies.

An Extraordinary General Meeting of the Kowloon Golf Club will be held at the Kowloon British School at 6 p.m. to-day, for the purpose of considering, and, if thought fit, approving the alterations to the Articles of Association of the Club. As an attendance of at least thirty members is necessary, it is trusted that a special effort will be made by members to be present.

SHIPPING NEWS.

VESSELS NEAR PORT.

At noon, the following vessels were expected to be in communication with Hongkong to-day: Delta, Devanha, President Madison, Portos, Paul Lecat, Hong Hwa, Kohso Maru, Proteas, President Monroe, Iyo Maru, Kiangsu, Kalgan, Aki Maru, Laconia, Azuma Maru, Lahore, M/s Asja, Scheer, Tilpanas, Hollas, Taiping, Oura Maru, Annkusa Maru, Mingsang, President Lincoln, Sokow Maru, Francis, Mito Maru, Nankwa Maru.

CORRESPONDENCE.

CANTON AND HONGKONG.

[To the Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—To a Chinese, like myself, who is a resident in the Colony of over thirty years' standing, your editorial of last Friday, the 12th, inst., could not fail to be of more than ordinary interest, and I was hoping to see some further comment on the subject. I am in a position to gauge the feeling of the enlightened section of my countrymen here, and I have no hesitation in saying that it will be a very very long time before Canton, Whampoa, or any other port in South China will supplant Hongkong as their place of sojourn.

Your comment that much of Canton's progress, municipally, results from the example set by this Colony, will be generally conceded. Especially true is your reference to the anti-smallpox campaign now being conducted in that city as being a reflection of the lessons taught Canton by Hongkong. You go on to say that "fifteen or twenty years ago, the Chinese of Hongkong, generally speaking, would on no account allow themselves to be vaccinated, but by persistent endeavour the authorities have convinced the masses of the value of vaccination, until nowadays big campaigns are carried out without the least difficulty." I well remember the first public vaccination campaign in Hongkong, and a few words on the origin of it will not be amiss. It took place in 1916-1917, and was started on the advice and initiative of one of our most loyal Chinese citizens, who urged the Government to institute the campaign, he himself undertaking the responsibility and difficult task of persuading the Chinese community to submit to public vaccination. The result was a great success, and the example thus set was followed in other Eastern cities such as Shanghai and ports in Japan. The commercial community, particularly shipping circles, have every reason to be grateful for the effective measures thus introduced to combat smallpox, as the

BRITISH COAL EXPORTS.

SPANISH LEGISLATION RESENTED.

Rugby, March 16. A question was raised in the House of Commons as to the intention of Spain to propose legislation or issue decrees disadvantageous to British coal imports. Mr. Locker Lampton, under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said the British Government were protesting strongly to the Spanish Government against any decrees limiting the consumption of foreign coal. Should this protest prove ineffective the Government would consider whether any further action could be taken.—British Wireless.

losses suffered when quarantine regulations were imposed on ships, as they often were in those days, must have been great. It is only fair that I should mention the name of the gentleman who had the courage to advocate such an unusual innovation among the Chinese, even at the risk of causing him some embarrassment; he was no other than Dr. S. W. Tao, L. L. D., who as in all his other public services did the work quietly and unassumingly. It was only last year when he was appointed Assistant Controller of Labour during the strike, that he performed came into the lime-light.

To quote your words "Now in turn, Canton follows the example set, and by degrees modern health methods are being introduced." I cannot conclude in a better way than by suggesting that Canton should follow other examples set by Dr. Tao besides health and sanitary improvement, particularly the line of action constantly advocated and adopted by him, which tends to the betterment of all classes irrespective of race or creed, the promotion of education, the protection of the weak, the maintenance of peace and order, and the creating of goodwill and harmony among the different communities.—Yours, etc.,

ONE WHO KNOWS.

Hongkong, 16th, March, 1926.

The Very Idea!

An imaginary letter to the friends for the expressions of sympathy and for their assistance in the death of my husband.

Sir,—My wife is one of the sweetest, finest women I know. And (most of the time) I don't want to be single. But, in the name of true love, why does she persist in permitting her petticoat Liberty to hang below her skirt? I have reached the point where I no longer tell her of it. Yesterday, a woman is married to a man and again this morning, the darn-notice his clothes considerably to ed thing showed. And I didn't even remind her of it. In an effort to bring an otherwise immaculate woman to her senses, you may publish my name and hers if you see fit to help me.

If the instinct of gratitude were as lively as the instinct of generosity this would be a pretty good world.

A gigantic statue of Burns, on the scale of the Statue of Liberty at the entrance to New York Harbour, to stand on the Clyde, is proposed by Sir Harry Lauder.

Putting forward the idea at the annual supper of the Kilmory (Argyllshire) Burns Club, he offered £1,000 towards the project.

The spot he suggested for the statue is between Dunoon and right through the things that make Kilmory, where it would be a land-going tougher. He is the man who mark for vessels passing up and is set to do his best cause he's down the Clyde. The cost is not a bluffer. We've all got to have our ups and downs. It's

Mr. F. A. Macquisten, M.P., in been thus since the very beginning: welcoming Sir Harry's gift, said Hurrah for the man who never such a statue he hoped would be frowns, but who always comes up right on the shore, so that people coming up the river would see it as the true Statue of Liberty.

"No Irishman can answer a question straight."—Mr. Hay Halkett, the Marylebone magistrate (who is a Scot).

Noah was the first Aberdonian mentioned in the Bible, for he took in two sharks.

An acknowledgement which end-of-the-world in 1947. That's might have been better expressed: a pity, for we'd have liked to see "We wish to thank the many the boycott through."

When we think of it Santa Claus must have had a hard job if he filled all the stockings we're seen lately.

The trouble with grasping hands across the sea is that some of them are too much so.

The latest prophecy foretells the end-of-the-world in 1947. That's might have been better expressed: a pity, for we'd have liked to see "We wish to thank the many the boycott through."

BANK LOAN CASE.

(Continued from Page 1.)

other questions; that although he took a copy of the letter away, he did not consult with anyone at any later date. To this counsel remarked that it seemed to him that there could not be much object in witness taking away a copy of the letter when he left Lammert's office.

Mr. Potter, continuing his cross-examination:—On the 6th June you have told us Messrs. Lammert's owed you \$13,000. Why didn't you press them for the repayment of this money?—I did press him for payment, but he said that the Sugar shares held by me as security for this loan had gone down in value, and a sale could not be effected.

What has that got to do with the \$13,000? You merely held these shares as security for the loan?—He mentioned that to me, because by selling straight away at this depreciated value, we would be losing a great deal.

The position is this:—You lend Lammert's \$13,000 and against that as security you hold 200 shares of sugar. In the ordinary way when the loan falls due, that money will be repaid to you and you hand the shares back to Lammert. Now why in the world didn't you say to Chan Wing-fook "Now look here, Chan. Give me the money. I want the money myself. Let me have it back?"—I did ask him and he asked me to extend the time for this loan. I pressed him for payment and he said he could not.

Counsel:—Ah now, we have it at last. Well, why could not you say to Chan: "You just said you have the money to give me when I told you I wanted money and that I wanted to sell those 200 shares?"—I cannot understand it myself.

As a banker and a business man, is that your only answer to the question?—Yes.

His Lordship: How do you expect us to understand it?

Witness replied that he believed the position then was that sugars having gone down to such a low extent, if Lammert's had redeemed those shares they would have sustained a great loss.

Counsel:—Whether he had redeemed it or whether you held it, it would have been the same?—But he prayed that I kept them.

I put it to you that that is untrue, as the natural thing for you to say would be that he must repay you, since he said he had money to give you when you arranged for the sale of the shares?—They would not have repaid me if I had pressed them.

His Lordship commented on what he termed as an "extraordinary way of doing business" and said that what the witness had said in regard to this transaction seemed to him incredible.

In further cross-examination, witness said that although the urgency of the Bank's need for money had departed, he still permitted the negotiation to take its course, because he was averse to cutting it short at the stage it had attained; and also because, he thought that the money could be employed for a more profitable purpose. This did not mean that it was a personal purpose, as in dealings with Messrs. Lammert's amounting to a turnover of over two lakhs, these dealings were kept in separate accounts according as to whether they were his own or the Bank's.

The hearing is proceeding.

BUDGET FORECAST.

EXPENDITURE OF NEARLY \$900 MILLIONS.

London, March 16. In the House of Commons, Mr. Winston Churchill estimated that the total expenditure for which they must provide in the Budget was \$799,500,000 and that in order to keep down the expenditure to that figure \$31,000,000 must be economised in national administration. This was in order to counterbalance unavoidable new expenditure to that amount.—Reuter.

TO-DAY.

Dollar on demand 2s.3.5.16d.
Lighting-up 6.26 p.m.
Temperature (2 p.m.) 60
Barometer (2 p.m.) 30.01
Humidity (2 p.m.) 95

JOINS THE CONSERVATIVES



Sir Alfred Mond, who is seen above with his son and daughter, has just joined the Conservatives after being a Liberal M.P. for 20 years and holding office in Liberal Ministries.

CEMENT MEETING.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Demand for cement should arise we should be more than able to supply all our requirements for some time to come with our present plant.

Now as to our finances, last year all our cash in hand went in payment of the dividend and you will see from the balance sheet that up to 31st December we had expended, \$330,305 on Macao and \$79,506 on Hok On, consequently on 31st December our overdraft at the Bank had risen to nearly \$200,000, but against this our stocks of raw and finished material were higher by nearly \$400,000 and our investments at \$714,656 were untouched.

As some shareholders are anxious to have some particulars of the investments, I may tell you that these consist wholly of:—Hongkong Government War Loan, British War Loan, Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Shares and Shanghai Municipal Council Loan.

At Deep Water Bay, the first six months work showed a profit but everything was brought almost to a standstill in July and since then it has simply been a struggle to keep the factory going with whatever unskilled labour we could pick up. I am, however, glad to say that the prospects for this year seem, especially as regards bricks, better. The new brick kiln is fulfilling all our expectations as to quantity and quality of the bricks turned out, and the output of the factory is slowly increasing as some of our best men have at last returned to work.

Altogether our prospects for the current year are certainly better and with a return of the normal demand for drainage pipes which I am sorry to say has practically entirely ceased owing to the curtailment of public and other works in the Colony this Department of our business should again show a fair profit on the turnover.

I now move that the report and accounts as presented be adopted and the balance at the credit of profit and loss account be dealt with as follows:—To pay a Dividend of 80 cents on the Old Shares and 10.666 cents on the New Shares, \$362,666.66, to place to reserve for new plant, \$100,000; to carry forward to the credit of next year's account, \$53,342; and when this has been seconded, I shall be pleased, to the best of my ability, to answer any questions Shareholders may wish to put.

QUESTIONS ON STOCKS.

Mr. G. H. Potts, seconding, said he was pleased to find things were better than expected. At the same time he hoped things would be better next year, that the strike would continue in the Colony. He had pleasure in seconding, but would like to know something about the large sum of over \$1,300,000 in materials. Was that in stone or in cement?

The Chairman:—Most of it is stone and we are very glad to have it.

WANCHAI QUARREL.

EUROPEAN LADIES IN COURT.

Two European ladies were the principals in a case in which both alleged assault against the other by the use of bad language, such as to provoke a breach of the peace, in a case which came before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Cross summonses had been taken out by Miss May Murray, of 213, Wanchai Road, and her neighbour, Mrs. V. L. Spink, of 211 Wanchai Road. Mr. G. R. Haywood appeared for Mrs. Spink, and Mr. A. J. O'Donoghue for Miss Murray.

Mr. Haywood said he had had very short instructions. The trouble was between the two ladies, who lived practically on the same premises, or next door to each other. He suggested that the case would be better dealt with if the parties were bound over, if the other side agreed. Otherwise, he was quite prepared to go on.

Mr. O'Donoghue said he did not agree to that proposal. His client was firmly convinced that she was in the right and that the trouble was all caused by Mrs. Spink. He would ask that Mrs. Spink be bound over.

Mr. Haywood said he was not prepared to agree with that suggestion.

Mr. Lindsell:—Would you prefer to have further instructions?

Mr. Haywood:—I have instructions here, but I think I am able to go on.

Mr. O'Donoghue said if Mr. Haywood would like an adjournment, he would offer no objection.

After discussion as to a date, the case was fixed for hearing on Monday next, at 11.30 a.m.

Mr. Potts:—It seems a large sum. The Chairman:—We must keep large stocks. We have had trouble before. We are getting no stone now and we are very glad to have large stocks.

Mr. Carroll:—Are we getting our stone from Haiphong or from... The Chairman:—We are getting none at all now.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS.

The Chairman:—The next business is the election of directors. For the vacant seat on the board some influential shareholders have put forward the name of Mr. J. H. Taggart. We have no objection to this gentleman joining the Board. On the contrary, we shall be glad of his advice and experience, but as under the Articles of Association he cannot be elected at this meeting without seven days' notice, we have agreed to invite him to join us after the meeting is over.

Mr. C. G. Alabaster proposed and Mr. Goodall seconded the re-election as directors of Messrs. R. G. Shewan and C. F. Mondham. This was carried.

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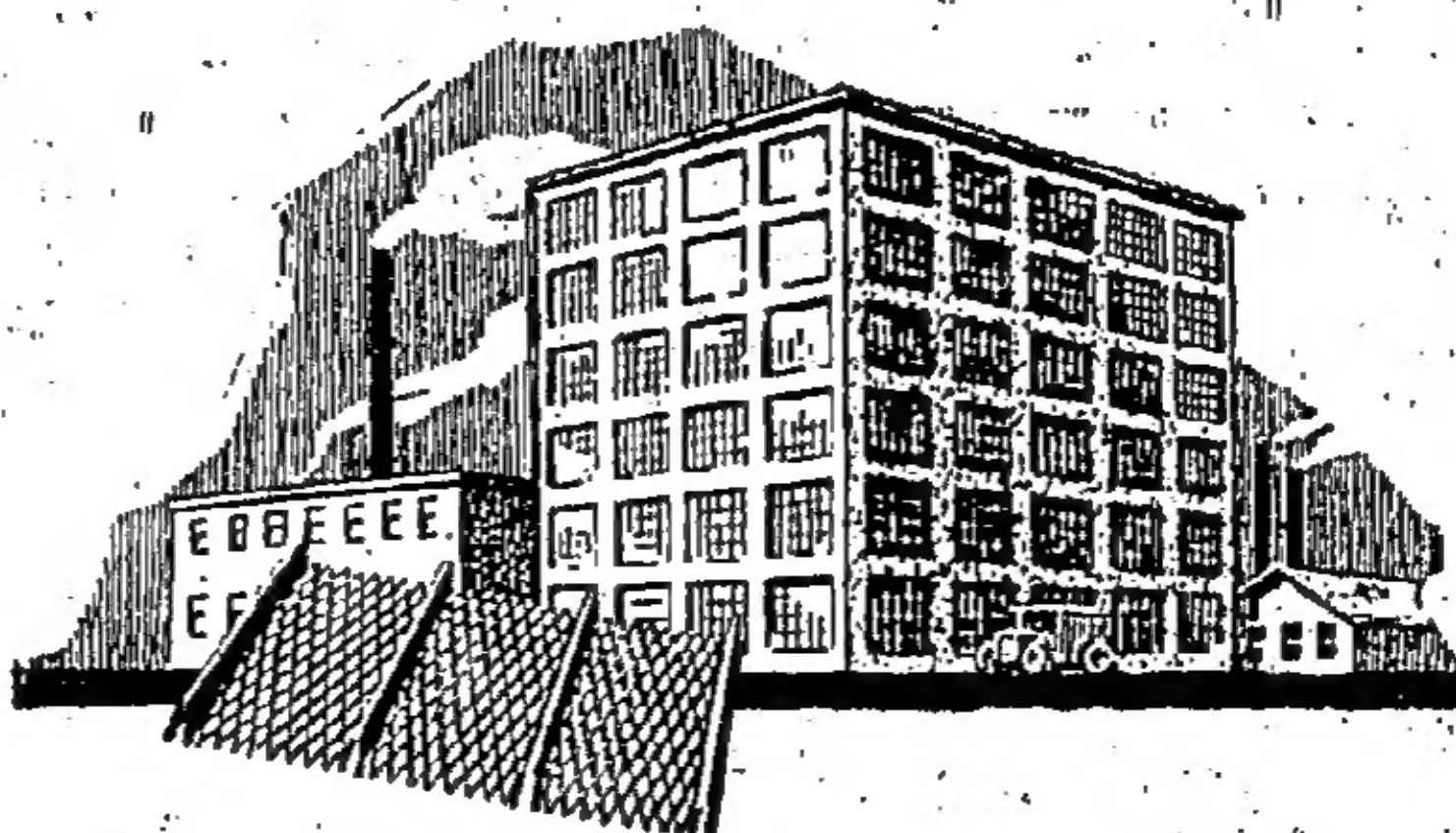
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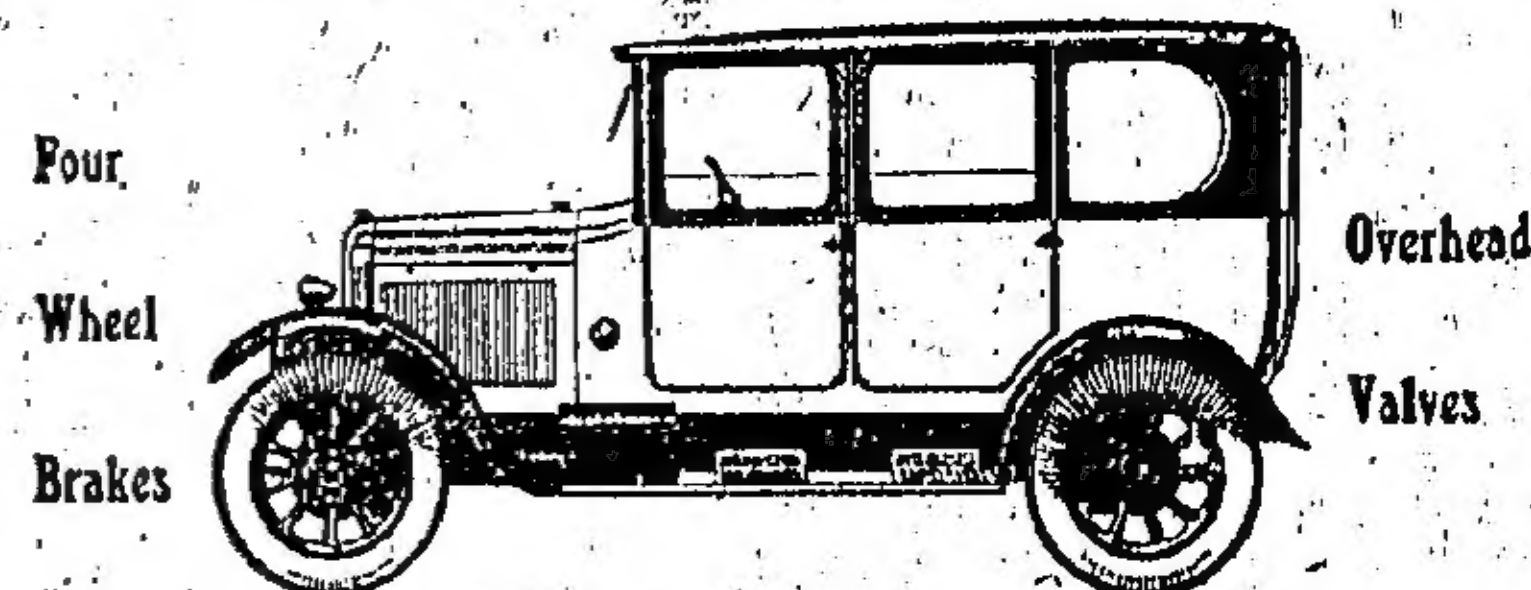
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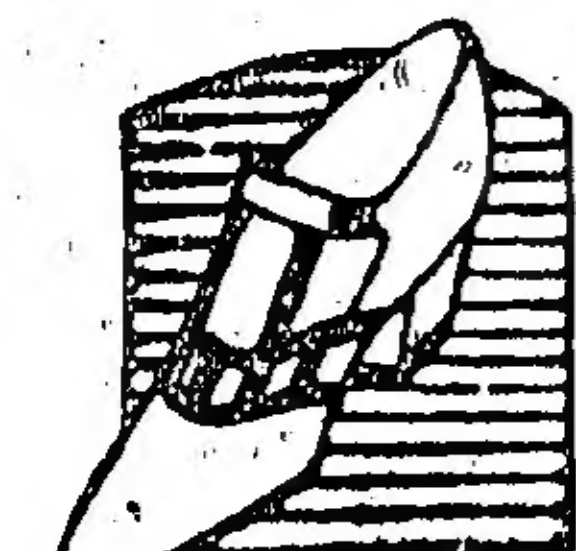
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SPEECH DAY.

ST. STEPHEN'S GIRLS' COLLEGE
FUNCTION.

Good Year of Service.

Yesterday was speech Day at
St. Stephen's Girls' College, when
there were a large number of
parents and friends present. Dis-
tinguished visitors included Lady
Clementi and the Bishop of Vic-
toria.

The programme opened with a
short concert of musical and vocal
items, including the first act of
"King Lear."

In asking Lady Clementi to pre-
sent the scholarship cups and certi-
ficates, the Bishop, the Rt. Rev.
C. R. Duppuy, congratulated the
students on their excellent work
and eulogised the excellent work
carried out by Miss Middleton-
Smith during the strike. The fact
that the school held its own
throughout the strike and had made
progress was due to the labours
of the Headmistress and all con-
cerned. It was Lady Clementi's
first visit to the school and the
Bishop welcomed her not only on
her initial visit but also as a mem-
ber of the College Council. He
assured Lady Clementi of the grati-
tude they had for her presence and
for being a member of the Council.

The Report.

The Headmistress, after wel-
coming Lady Clementi, the Bishop
and visitors, said in part:

The school year has been a very
prosperous and encouraging one.
We closed earlier than usual for
the summer vacation, with a full
school. We re-opened in Septem-
ber with almost our usual numbers.
Boards from far distances, such
as Formosa, Peking, and Tientsin,
were unable to return. I am glad
to have this opportunity of express-
ing my grateful appreciation of the
loyal manner in which the girls
and Chinese Staff supported us
throughout the year.

I will not tire you with a detail-
ed report of the school work; suffi-
cient to say that the standard
this year (and this despite an ab-
normally long vacation) has been
higher than at any previous time.
We had an excellent report
after the visit of the Government
Inspector, who specially commen-
ded favourably upon history, read-
ing and recitation in the upper
school. (Elocution, as you have
heard, is well taught by Miss
Hazeland). The script writing in
the lower school was mentioned as
being very good, while the K. G.
received special mention as being
well taught and well equipped.
(This is in charge of Mrs. Cooper).

Health.

Dr. Minett, the Medical Officer
of Health, visited the school in
November last, and to quote her
own words, she "found the general
health and development excellent."
Continuing, she said, "I heard good
singing lessons being given for
chest and throat development in the
Upper School. (For the singing
being well taught we are indebted
to Mr. Mason). I saw excellent
work being done in drilling and
breathing exercises and ball games
in the playground under Miss Shi
(our physical culture mistress). The
K. G. Classes were having
good singing and games given in
an interesting way. Hygiene is
very well and practically taught,
the text books in use are the most
modern I have seen."

Eight students were presented
for the University Matriculation
and Senior examinations. Of
these six passed, two matriculating
and four passing Senior, two gain-
ing distinctions.

Nine took the Junior examina-
tion. Of these seven passed, six
gaining distinctions. The two
who matriculated have already
entered the University in the
Faculty of Arts. Another old
S. S. G. C. student has entered the
University this term. She has
been given a Scholarship through
the generosity of an English-
woman, who wishes to remain un-
known. The gift was a token of
friendship to the women of China,
the desire being to help a Chinese
girl to gain knowledge in the
University, in order to give that
knowledge to her own people, in a
part of China where education is
less advanced. We are grateful to
the Vice-Chancellor for kindly
suggesting that a S. S. G. C. student
should accept it.

Residence in Hostel.

Most of our girls go into
residence at the Women's Hostel.
May I here stress the value of
residence in Hall? We are con-
vinced that our hostel life is bind-
ing together Chinese students from
different parts of China, and there
are few things for which we should
be more grateful to a generous
benefactor than a permanent
hostel. The women under-
graduates are at present in St.
Stephen's Hall, which is a rented
building, and far too small for this
important work. Miss Vincent,
B. A., the acting Warden, with
wise guidance, seeks to help them
in every way. Before proceeding
with the work of the school, may
I mention an excellent scheme
which our Society has put into
action this year? S. S. G. C. and
"Fairies" together now form a

combined institution, S. S. G. C.
giving an English and Chinese
education, "Fairies" giving a
purely Vernacular education. Mrs.
Cheung, being their very capable
Headmistress, while Miss Atkins is
giving splendid help as Advisor
and Warden. Through the
generosity of Chinese gentlemen,
who have given scholarships, it is
possible for a girl to pass from the
vernacular school, through S. S. G. C.
to the University in this combined
scheme of education. There are
almost five hundred people in the
three institutions, each having its
own "Head" with a Principal over
all. Very few schools possess a
staff who have higher qualifications
than those possessed by the staff
of these schools. I wish here to
pay an unqualified tribute to the
whole-hearted devotion of the en-
tire staff to the interest of both
schools, and to their excellent
teaching work.

Charity.
This year the girls have made a
special effort to help the pressing
claims of those in need. Over
\$3,000 has been given to different
charities during the year, and we
have felt it a privilege to help poor
schools and hospitals in different
parts of China, as well as a con-
tribution of \$1,300, and to the
M. C. L. funds this year. The Mis-
sionary spirit has been fostered
and has grown in the
school. Sunday by Sunday our
girls teach the unfortunate
women in prison. Other girls
from this school may be found in
the hospital each Sunday going
from bed to bed, carrying words
of cheer and comfort as they tell
of God's love and care for the sick
and suffering.

A large number of poor children,
from Wanchai, were entertained
at Christmas in our playground,
and a party of girls visited the
hospital and sang carols to the
patients at Christmas time.

This splendid spirit of helpful-
ness is shown even after the girls
leave school life behind them.
When in the Philippine Islands last
year, I found that one of our old
girls, while attending lectures at
the University, was devoting her
afternoons to teaching in a school
for poor Chinese children. Clas-
ses to give amahs and mui-tsais free
education are taken regularly on
Tuesday and Friday afternoons.
Nancy Ho, a past student, kindly
gives a helping hand each week to
this work. A large number of
little mui-tsais attend most regu-
larly.

Old Girls.
A delightful request came from
old S. S. G. C. girls for the establish-
ing of an association to link them
together. This was formed with a
large membership a short time ago,
Miss Wan being elected as Presi-
dent. This Association, we feel,
will revive and help to keep the
interests of girls in all parts
of the world who have had their
education in this school.

Seven girls were confirmed last
year and three baptised. Weekly
Bible Study Classes have been
much appreciated. A Baptist
class, held by Mrs. Li Di-ku, has
been well attended. Some of
these and many other activities
have been organised by our school
Y. W. C. A. with the splendid help
of Miss Pope, B. S., our energetic
Faculty Advisor.

The boarders owe much to the
thought and care of Miss Wise, B.
A., while the lower school and
afternoon Chinese Studies owe
much to the careful teaching of
our Chinese Staff, too large to
mention individually. The stand-
ard of Chinese studies has im-
proved under the care of Mr. Lo
Kwan-shing, our Director of
Chinese Studies.

Keener interest in games has
been shown and one of our pres-
sing needs is another tennis court.
We only possess one, for the use
of the school and S. S. Hall. Some
of the girls remember a delightful
visit to H. M. S. Hermes, which
Mr. Powell kindly made possible.
Others spent a happy afternoon on
the Tamar, where Mrs. Stirling
very kindly entertained them.

Forward in Faith.
Before asking Lady Clementi to
present the scholarship cups and
prizes, may I explain that the suc-
cessful students receive the cups
and certificate only; they generously
give the money to educate a girl
unable to pay the school fees.
We choose girls, who, after com-
pleting their education here, will
teach in other schools in China.
The hope to be given are a small
appreciation of the voluntary work
done by two girls. When teachers
were unable to get back to their
work from Canton, Fok Sit-woon
and Au Uot-hong volunteered to
take Chinese classes each day and
so help us through a most difficult
time of shortage of staff during
the strike.

The sage Mencius, once said,
"A really great man or woman is
one who, in the fulfilment of duty,
will be above the power of riches
and honour to tempt, of mean
condition to make swerve from
principle, and of threats and force
to make bend."

Where are such women coming
from? It is our hope that such
women are coming from the Chris-
tian Schools of China and so, in
the words of our school motto,
"In Faith we go forward."

Acknowledgment.
We remember with deep grati-
tude those who helped us to build

this school. The names have been
written in gold over the various
rooms for which the donors gave
the money. We are glad to have
with us Sir Robert Ho Tung, Dr.
Ts'o and Mr. Ho Wing. These
gentlemen gave much time and
thought to help put up this fine
building and we deeply regret that
Mr. Kwok Sul-lau, our most
generous friend is prevented
through illness from being with us
to-day.

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fong \$1,500, Mr. H. M. H. Menares
\$1,500, Mr. T. T. Ching \$1,000, Miss
Sheila Kinghorn \$1,000, Mr. Siu Ying-
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Prize List.

The following girls have passed
the Matriculation, Senior and Junior
Examinations. Their names are
written in gold on the boards
in this Hall and engraved
in silver on this shield:

Cheng Hung Yee—First in Matri-
culation, is awarded the Scholarship
given by Mr. Ho Kom-tong.
Helen Chung—Matriculated with
distinctions in needlework.

Senior.
Amy Ma—First in Senior receives
the Ho Fook Scholarship.
Maggie Cheung—Distinctions in
Needlework.

Amy Kwan and Tseng Hui Fan,
Junior.

Choy Wan-han—Receives the
Scholarship Cup, awarded by Lo
Chung Shui, Distinction in Music.
Fok Sit Ngoh, Ada Leung, Li
Sai-wo, Hannah Surh, Tong Wai-
ting, Flora Wan. Distinctions in
Needlework.

Lady Clementi's Speech.

Lady Clementi expressed her
pleasure at being present and said
that after seeing how many Chinese
ladies had acquired such an excel-
lent knowledge of a foreign lan-
guage, she became increasingly
ashamed of the little she knew of
the Chinese language. She con-
gratulated Miss Middleton Smith
and said that the report she had
read would give pleasure to any
headmistress to read.

Lady Clementi commented upon
the social services rendered by the
girls of St. Stephen's to those who
were less fortunate than them-
selves.

The ceremony was presided over
by the Right Rev. Bishop of Vic-
toria and others present were, Mr.
E. Ruffs (Inspector of English
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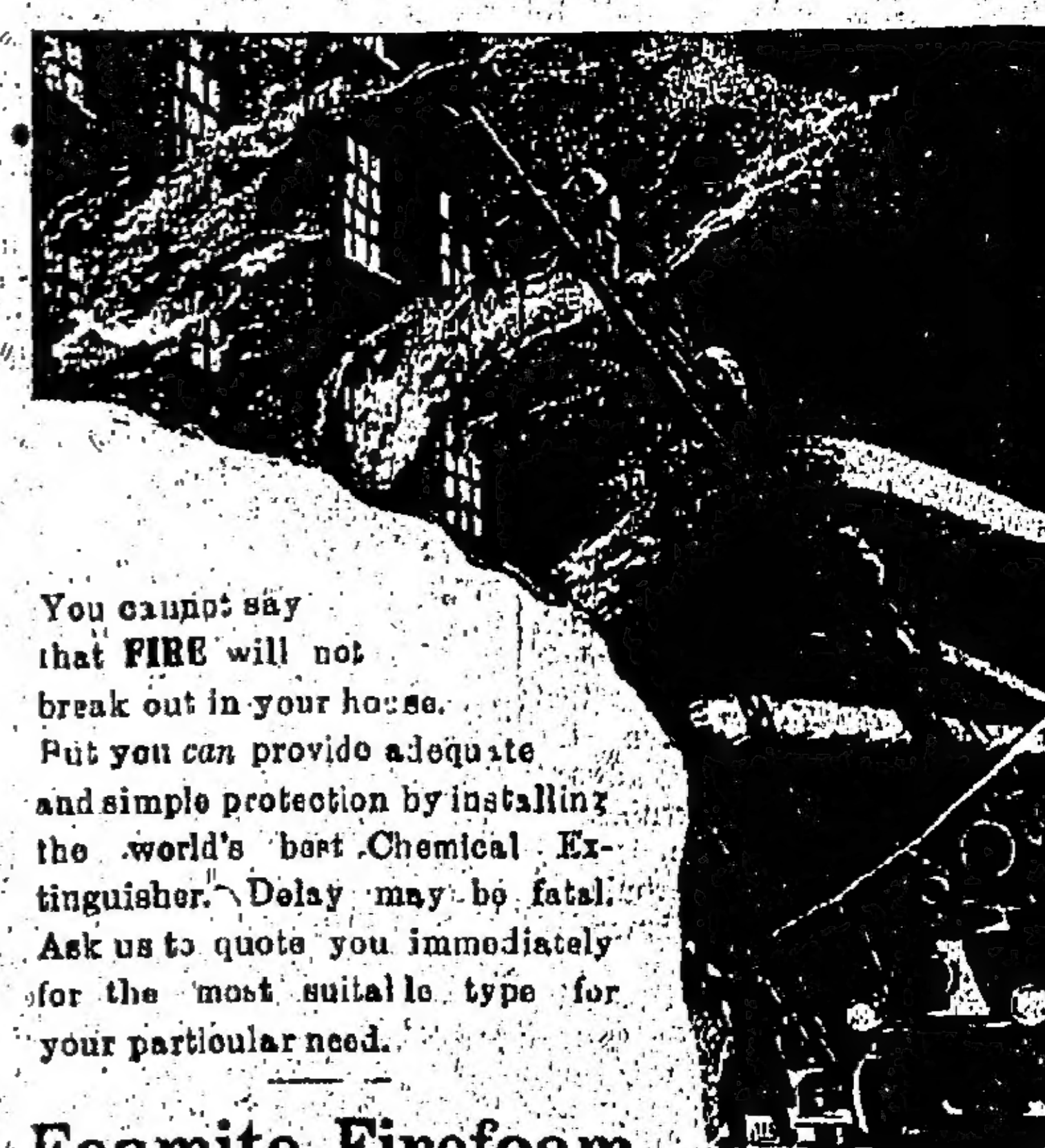
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PLAY AND PLAYERS.

SATURDAY'S BOXING TOURNAMENT.

[BY "WANDERER."]

"The only thing that can possibly prevent the match coming off is the departure of the Jules Michelet before Saturday," said Mr. J. Brook, the manager of the Hongkong Boxing Association, writing me early this week in reference to the highly attractive bout which tops the bill for the sixth tournament of the season fixed for Saturday next, March 20th, at the City Hall.

The Boxing Association has taken a new lease of life after some two months inactivity, and were prepared to feature at the head of their programme a contest between Stoker Naegelin, the flyweight champion of the French Navy, and Kid Alfred, the Filipino boy who created such a good impression here when he fought and defeated Harry Major in three rounds.

This morning, I am given to understand that as the result of the trouble at Tientsin and Taku, the Jules Michelet is under orders to sail for the North to-day at three o'clock, and the only hope which offers is an endeavour which is being made to arrange for Stoker Naegelin to remain behind.

If the contest comes off as arranged, it will not be the first time these two men have met. In Saigon on August 20th last year, a splendid fight resulted in a points decision for Naegelin and again on October 1st, an equally fine struggle resulted in a drawn verdict. At the third attempt Kid Alfred, who has been in strict training, hopes to surpass his previous performances against the Stoker.

Naegelin has won the flyweight championship of the French Navy three years successively and he comes from the same school as Criqui and Andre Dupre. A few local fans had an opportunity of seeing him in action on board the French cruiser when she first arrived in Hongkong, and they were exceedingly pleased with his showing.

No change is anticipated in the remainder of the programme which is appended:

10 ROUNDS. HEAVYWEIGHT.
P. O. Francis (Sub. L3) v A. B. Moir (Durban).

6 ROUNDS. WELTERWEIGHT.
Stoker Reynolds (Sub. L3) v Pte. Mann (Surreys).

6 ROUNDS. BANTAMWEIGHT.
L/Sign. Hanson (Vindictive) v Pte. Baxter (Surreys).

6 ROUNDS. FEATHERWEIGHT.
Tel. Johnson (Durban) v Cpl. Choules (Surreys).

6 ROUNDS. WELTERWEIGHT.
L/Tel. Emmerson (Tamar) v L/Sign. Derbyshire (Vindictive).

Francis and Moir met recently in the China Squadron Championships and Moir won the short distance bout, which was spoilt by continual clinching. Over ten rounds Francis is expected to reverse the decision, though Moir is a forceful fighter whose particular style, though not highly attractive, presents something of a problem.

Stoker Reynolds is one of the most promising men seen recently in the local ring and he will be given a thorough testing when he meets Pte. Mann of the East Surrey Regiment. Mann's best performance locally was his defeat at the hands of Leading Stoker Piper some months ago. It will be remembered that Mann, who, on paper, was given little chance appeared to have his man handsomely beaten when Piper staged a come-back, aided by a lucky blow, and knocked him out in the last few seconds of the sixth round. The bout between Reynolds and Mann should be one of the best of the evening.

Hanson makes his debut before the Hongkong public. He comes with a good reputation having won the bantamweight championship of the Chatham Port Division in 1924 and 1925, and in both years he was runner-up in the R. N. and R. M. Champion-

ships. Baxter's previous appearance have been confined to regimental tournaments, but he is a fast hard-hitting dueller, and will give Hanson a good fight.

Emmerson's three fights with A. B. Baker, of the Hermes, added considerably to his reputation and the public will be interested to see how he shapes against Derbyshire, another newcomer, whose only fight in this Colony was a three-rounder with Stoker Reynolds, in the welterweight championship of the China Squadron. Derbyshire lost after putting up one of the finest fights in the Navy tournament.

DAVIS CUP.

TWENTY-FOUR NATIONS ENTER.

New York, March 16. Twenty-four nations have entered for the Davis Lawn Tennis Cup, for which entries closed to-day. Australia is the only notable absentee.—*Reuter's American Service.*

HOME FOOTBALL.

London, March 16. In the second division of the English League second Oldham beat South Shields by two goals to one.—*Reuter.*

UNIVERSITY SPORTS.

HALF-MILE OPEN EVENT.

The 11th University annual athletic meeting is to be held on Saturday, March 27, at 2.30 p.m. sharp.

There will be the usual half-mile race open to the Colony (at about 4 p.m.) and also the Past Students' 220 Yards Handicap Race.

Both the above are post entry events.

LOCAL CRICKET.

UNIVERSITY v. H.K.C.C.

The following will represent the University XI against the Hongkong C.C. on Saturday, at 2 p.m. on the University ground: A. A. Rumjahn (Captain), H. N. Balhouchet, W. M. Gittins, C. W. Lam, Dr. D. K. Samy, D. Laing, S. Hachiuma, S. O. Shahabudin, E. Zimmermann, S. V. Gittins and R. Ng.

WORKING HOURS.

FURTHER DISCUSSIONS YESTERDAY.

Rugby, March 16. The International Conference on hours of labour to-day continued its examination, article by article, of the Washington Hours Convention, which was begun yesterday.

One or two minor points were raised on Article 1, which deals with the scope of the Convention, and agreement was reached in regard to them without difficulty.

On Article 2, an important question was raised of the exact meaning to be given to the expression "Four of work," and, after discussion, the views of the various delegations were found to be in agreement on this point. Further discussion took place on the definition of a working week, and various proposals put forward to make clear the position on this matter were remitted to the Sub-Committee.

A question was raised as to the effect of Article 2 on the working of a five-day week. This was discussed at some length and the point was reserved for further consideration.

The Conference then proceeded to an examination of Article 4, which deals with the special conditions applicable to continuous process industries. The discussion on this Article was still in progress when the Conference adjourned.—*British Wireless.*

SPORTING PARS.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

W. E. Austen, late of the Kowloon F.C. did the hat-trick for the Shanghai Engineers against the Artillery recently.

Derby County have arranged another Continental tour for May, and are to play matches at Copenhagen, Gothenburg, and Stockholm.

The bar which has hitherto existed against German yachtsmen, preventing them from competing in English regattas, has now been removed.

Sergt. Mitchell the East Surreys centre-half who was injured in the Shield, tie with H.M.S. Tamar is still in hospital, it having been discovered that he has sustained a fractured cheekbone.

Mr. H. C. Catchside, the International Rugby player, was married at Newcastle to Miss Stella Newlands, a former women's golf champion, of Durham County.

Leaving the Colony early next month is C. W. E. Bishop, the Club left-back. Bishop's position was left but after filling several positions he settled down at left back.

Routledge and Chailer, the respective Amateur Billiard Champions of South Africa and Australia, will compete in the first Empire Championship to take place on April 12th. Shailer is already in London.

The honorary secretaryship of the Kowloon Football Club is likely to be changed shortly. Kenny Mason is now living on the Hongkong side and this will probably occasion his resignation.

Beaulieu, Feb. 21.—A sensation was caused here when a conference of the leading tennis players met to investigate charges to the effect that players had trafficked in tickets for the Cannes tournament. Proof has been submitted that a well-known English player sold tickets at a substantial profit.

A 30 years old cricket fixture is being revived. Cambridge University having arranged to play a match with Notts at Cambridge on June 9, 10 and 11. When the Light Blues paid a visit to Notts in June 1896, this county won by six wickets. This was Mordecai Sherwin's benefit match.

The clubhouse of the Kowloon Football Club presents a much more attractive appearance since the extensions have been made. Improvements have also been made recently at the quarters of the Hongkong Football Club at Happy Valley.

Walter Hagen, professional golf champion, is going to make a golf tour around the world shortly. The tour will start with an invasion of the British Isles at the time of the British Open Golf Championships, and will include the French Open Championship. After that Hagen proposes to visit Japan, India, Australia, and the Hawaiian Islands.

Australian tongues are busy praising and criticising the choice of their cricket team for England. On the whole, though, they are satisfied, especially with their strength as a batting side. Noble is probably right in saying that they should not have made the selection so early; had they waited, Kippax would certainly have had a better chance of inclusion, as he would have been considered in relation to the whole rather than as one candidate of three.

London, Feb. 20. The Oxonian's new boat, completed and designed by Dr. Bourne, is shorter and deeper than the normal boat. It is 61 feet 4½ inches by 10 feet 1½ inches, the broadest point being at the back of No. 4. The rig is a notable after last year's experience. Subsequent to the controversy re pumps etc., the boat has been equipped with a special device behind the cox for draining the boat of water.

Worcester City and Kettering Town, who met on Birmingham F.C.'s ground in the second replay of their second round F.A. Cup tie, only attracted a poor gate, the total receipts being £107. Comes a bill from Birmingham F.C. for £57, which, after being deducted from the takings, left both clubs in for a loss. But the worst was to come—in the form of a bill for £256 for the football provided. Twelve and six for each club, and they didn't even get the ball back!

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:—

Banks.

Hongkong, \$1,055 sa.
Chartered, \$21½ n.
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East Asia, \$79 b.

Marine Ins.

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Douglases, \$28 b.
Steamboats, \$24½ b.
Tugs, \$24 b.
Indo-Chinas, \$38 n.
Shell Trans., \$0/3 b.
Star Ferries, \$65 sa.
Waterboats, \$15 b.
Oriental Nav., \$250 n.

Refineries.

China Sugars, \$27½ sa.
Malabons, \$39 n.

Mining.

Benguets, \$150 n.
Kailans, \$2/6 b.
Langkats, Tls. 23 b.
Shai Explorations, Tls. 5.00 s.
Shanghai Loans, Tls. 7 n.
Raub, \$5.00 b.
Tronohs, 55/- b.
Ural Caspians, 8/- n.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$131 b.
Whampoa Docks, \$62½ b.
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New Engineerings, Tls. 5 s.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 98 b.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, \$9.55 sa.
H.K. Lands, \$63½ n.
Realty, \$5½ b.
Territorials, \$5½ b.
Humphreys, \$14½ b.
Princes Bldg, \$105 s.
Rural Lands, \$7 s.

Cottons.

Ewos, Tls. 9.40 b.
Orientals, Tls. 3 n.
Shai Cottons, Tls. 54 b.

Miscellaneous.

Amusements, \$11½ b.
Canton Ice, \$7½ n.
Cements, \$16½ b.
China Buses, Tls. 10½ b.
China Lights, \$21½ sa.
China Prov., \$8.10 n.
Constructions, \$3 s.
Dairy Farms, \$19½ sa.
Der A. Wing, \$10 n.
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Lane Crawfords, \$10½ b.
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Sinceres, \$11 s.
Taxi, \$4 s.
United Asbestos, \$20 n.
Watsons (Old), \$11 s.
Watsons (New), \$11 s.
Powells, \$10 n.

U. S. CONSULATES.

BIG PURCHASING VOTE.

Washington, March 16. The House of Representatives has voted an appropriation of \$10,000,000 to acquire Embassy and Consular buildings and to consolidate the Government services abroad.—*Reuter's American Service.*

INDIA AND OPIUM.

NO MERE GESTURE.

Delhi, March 16. The Council of State has passed an official resolution to give effect to the policy of progressive reduction in the exports of opium except for strictly medicinal purposes. The Finance Secretary said that the motion was not a gesture, but a deliberate step to carry out the obligation to help stop the evils of opium smoking.—*Reuter.*

J. W. J. Rinkel, who won the 100 yards and quarter mile for Clare in the inter-collegiate competition at Cambridge this week, was a more than useful Rugby player when he was at Blundell's School. He played on the wing, and his speed with the ball was astounding. There are great hopes of him becoming an Olympic sprint champion. He ran a great 220 yards in the last A.A.A. championships, finishing second to Murchison, the American.

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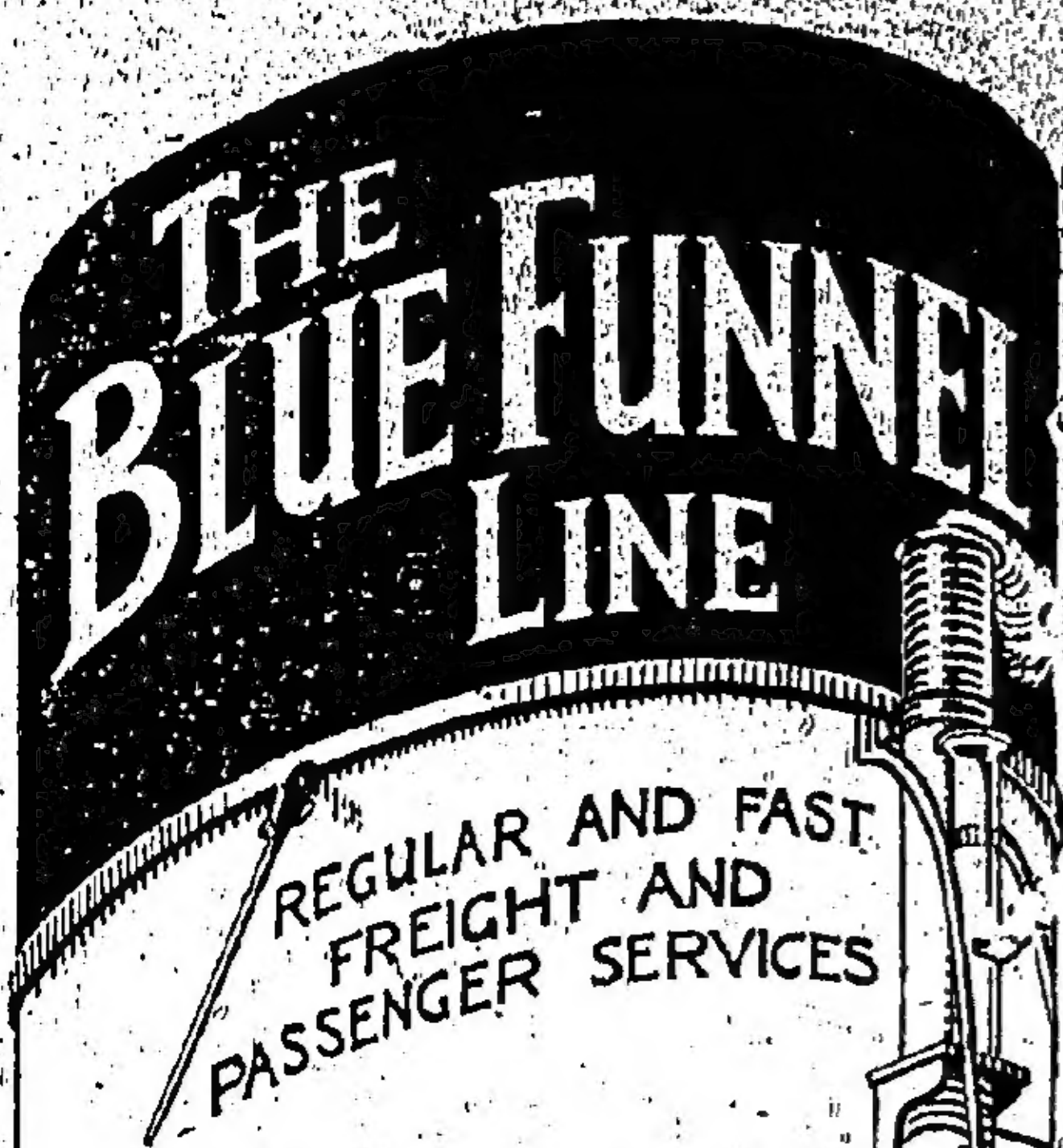
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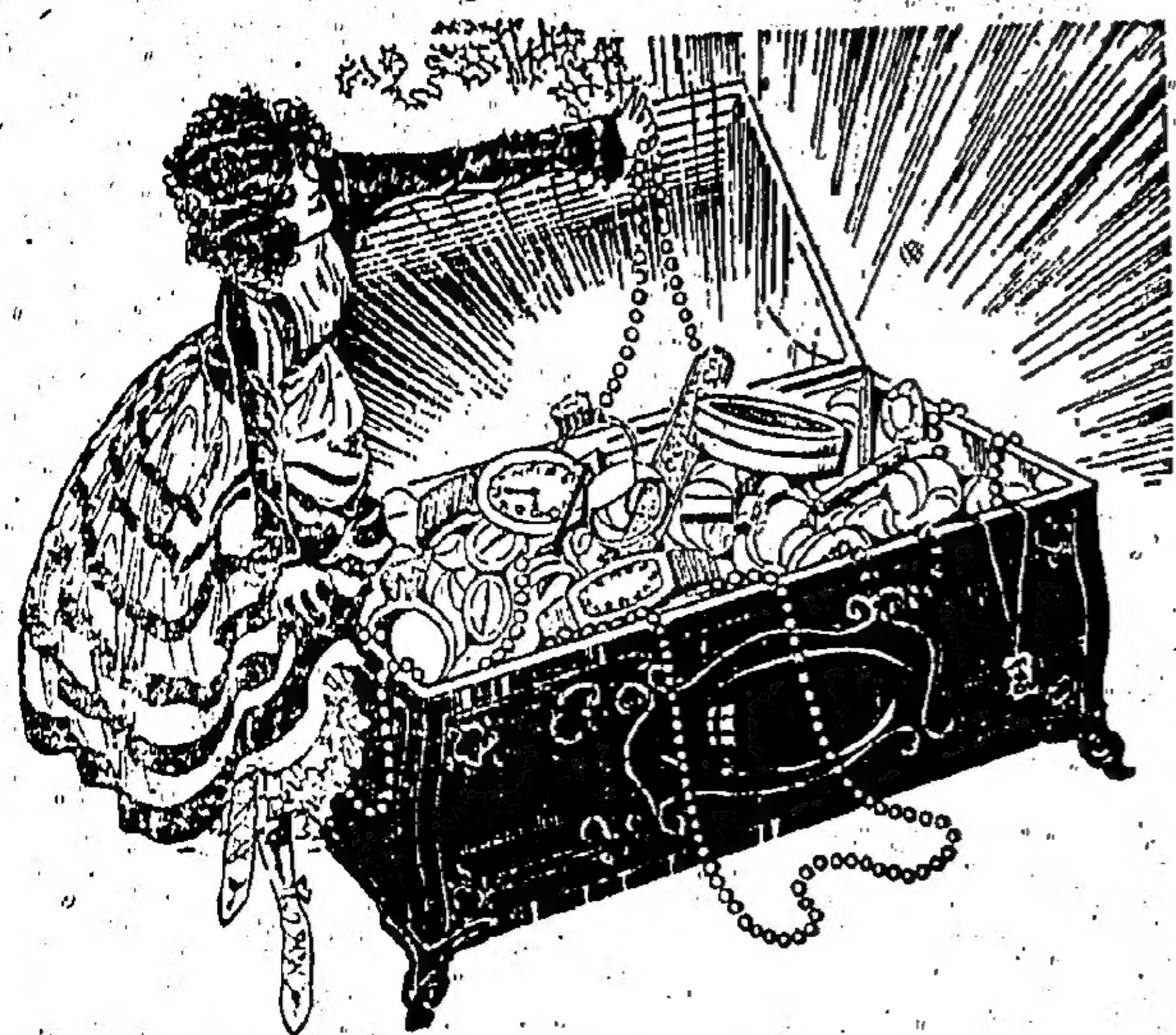
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A HISTORIC INSTITUTION.

Some interesting facts are given by the Canton Hospital authorities regarding this historic institution, which has now been shut down as the result of labour tyranny.

In the course of its statement, the Hospital authorities say that "the Canton Hospital is the oldest medical institution in Canton, in fact, in the Orient. It was founded ninety years ago by Dr. Peter Parker, an American, who is said to have opened China at the point of a lancet. Through this Hospital all phases of modern medical service were introduced into China. Here for the first time the youth of China were taught the science and art of modern scientific medicine. Here modern medical text books were first translated into Chinese and published. In this Hospital the first medical researches in China were made. The first Chinese to go abroad to study medicine returned to serve upon the staff of this Hospital. In it over two million Chinese people have been treated. It is one of the largest Hospitals in China. Because of its fame, four presidents of China have contributed to it, and sent congratulatory letters or telegrams at various anniversaries of its foundation. In it, Dr. Sun Yat-sen first commenced the study of medicine, and always maintained his interest in it, to the extent that two years ago he was instrumental in having the Government grant to the Hospital in perpetuity a tract of land for the further development of the Hospital and its varied activities."

ISSUE IN DOUBT.

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see the Germans. There is a general impression that the whole question will be adjourned until September.—*Reuter.*

At the close, the Council decided that in view of the difficulty of obtaining unanimity, particularly as regards the attitude of Brazil, Sir Austen Chamberlain will propose to-morrow in the Assembly that both the question of Germany's admission to the Council and also the question of the enlargement of the Council should be adjourned till the September meeting of the Assembly.

In order to demonstrate that the Locarno agreements are in nowise affected, it has been decided that the signatory Powers to the Treaties of Locarno, including Germany, will shortly publish a statement repeating adherence to the agreements.—*Reuter.*

LOCARNO FACT RE-AFFIRMED.

Geneva, March 16.
An official communique was issued at 8.45 this evening and states:—"The representatives of Germany, Belgium, France, Great Britain and Italy met to examine the situation resulting from the difficulties which have arisen to hinder the accomplishment of their common wishes. They note the fact that they have reached an agreement to overcome obstacles which at one moment had arisen between them. If as there seems reason to feel, the above difficulties persist, the representatives of the seven signatories to the Locarno Protocol would regret not to be able at this moment to reach the goal they had view, but they are happy to recognise that the work of peace which they realised at Locarno, and which exists in all its value and force, remains intact. They remain as much attached thereto to-day as yesterday and are firmly resolved to work together to maintain and develop it."

The communique concludes by expressing the conviction that at the next session of the Assembly the existing difficulties will be surmounted and that the agreement already reached regarding the conditions of Germany's entry into the League will be realised.—*Reuter.*

"DEPLORABLE IMPRESSION."

Geneva, March 16.
A deplorable impression has been produced by the publication of the communique cabled earlier and there is much criticism of those to whom responsibility is attributed.

Complete calm prevails at the German headquarters, though the German journalists are much concerned regarding the consequences which the abortive attempt to secure Germany's admission is likely to have in Germany. Things, however, may be still righted if Brazil during the night decides not to veto Germany's admission unless Brazil is also granted a permanent seat.—*Reuter.*

MORE TOURISTS.

ARRIVAL OF THE "LACONIA."

With the arrival in port this morning of the big round-the-world tourist liner, the s.s. Laconia, Hongkong has had to accommodate to-day no fewer than 900 tourists. There were already 300 here on the s.s. Resolute and the s.s. Laconia brought a further 600. And the weather has, unfortunately, been on its very worst behaviour, an incessant drizzle from early yesterday morning giving place, after "tiffin" to-day to a downpour of rain. The weather has been responsible for confining our visitors to the vicinity of the Hongkong Hotel and the Queen's Road district, and has robbed the sight-seeing trips (especially the one to the Peak) of its accustomed enjoyment and interest. One hundred-and-fifty of the Laconia's passengers went up to Macao by this morning's river steamer, and the majority have had the day free for individual action. No fewer than 750 extra tiffins were served at the Hongkong Hotel in spite of the lack of accommodation.

The s.s. Resolute leaves for Manila to-night. Amongst the prominent people on board the s.s. Laconia are Governor Osborne, of Iowa, Colonel Daniels, who is reputed to be a millionaire forty times over, and a prominent American banker, Mr. Pugsley, who is accompanied by a party of ten, including his son, Mr. Chester Pugsley, a lawyer of international repute.

The Laconia tourists form one of the annual world touring parties of Mr. Frank Clark, and for purposes of convenience are split into three groups in order that the ground can be adequately covered. Alternately, the groups will visit the Peak, Macao, Repulse Bay, and will make the trip round the new Territories.

The Laconia, which left New York on January 20 on her present cruise around the world, is to terminate her voyage at Cherbourg on May 22. On her way to Hongkong she called at Havana, Colon, Balboa, Los Angeles, Hilo, and Honolulu and Japan, and after leaving, she will touch at Manila, Batavia, Singapore, Rangoon, Calcutta, Colombo, Bombay, Suez, Port Said, Haifa, Athens, and Naples, before she reaches her destination, Cherbourg.

This is the third cruise around the world for the Laconia. During her schedule of four months and a half beginning from the time of her departure from New York, she will, it is calculated, steam more than 30,000 miles across the oceans and seas of the world.

In honour of two champion Friesian cows—mother and daughter—who have made a British Friesian milking record, a great banquet was held in Balfas. Together they yielded 5,000 gallons in a year. The Governor, General of the Free State and Sir James Craig sent messages; the owner was toasted, and photographs of the animals were given a place of honour in the room.

labels. But they did not do so. Witness stated that his firm had lost considerable money on account of the inferior quality of the accused's goods.

The complainant company's agent at Nantunghow was called and he stated that he did business with complainant's goods to the value of about \$40,000 annually, but since the goods of defendant's firm had crept into the market under the imitation label there had been a considerable falling off in sales.

Defendant stated that he had no intention of imitating complainant's goods.

Supreme Court Decision. Before deciding the case, the Court produced a very interesting decision in such a case in the Supreme Court in which it stated that "no conviction can be entered against a person charged with using a trade-mark which is an imitation of another person's trade-mark unless it can be shown that same imitation is an exact copy."

For this reason the Court decided that it could not enter a conviction but was satisfied that it was an attempt to copy the complainant's trade mark and to mislead the public.

The defendant was put on bond of Tls. 3,000 not to use the trade-mark again and also to see that all offending labels will be destroyed and not used in the future.

TRADE MARK CASE.

HONGKONG FIRM CONCERNED.

An interesting case has just been tried before the Mixed Court at Shanghai in which the well-known Hongkong firm of the Kwong Sang Hong, manufacturers of soaps, soups, etc., sued a shop-keeper named Tsung Han-ting for using their trade mark of Florida Water, Hair Oil and Face cream. There was a further charge of forging the trade mark.

Evidence was given by Mr. Ching Yang-kong, the Secretary of the Kwong Sang Hong, who said that his firm had been receiving complaints regarding the quality of the goods being sold under their label, said complaints having extended over a period of two years. Letters had been received from the company's agents at Soochow, Wusieh and Hankow also complaining about the goods and in consequence a man had been sent to investigate and he found that the accused was manufacturing Florida Water, etc. and selling it under the same brand as the complainant.

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